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FROM OUR READERS

THOSE FRAIL HEROES

Gentlemen:

I enclosed a small clipping, which appeared in our newspaper here, to tell you where I spent last night. For approximately 3 hours I had one of the most terribly disappointing experiences in my life. I watched films of the old time fighters, Corbett, Jeffries, Fitzsimmons, Young Griffo, George Dixon, and many others. They were shown up at the Hollywood Y.M.C.A. by the national handball champion Jim Jacobs, who I believe has been a collector for many years. I happen to be the extremely proud possessor of a "complete" collection of RING magazines dating back to issue number one. While I have never written an expression of thanks to you for all of the immeasurable amount of enjoyment your magazine has given me, I have nevertheless been content to feel that having read an article in your publication, and quoting from it, I would be correct.

But I swear after watching those old timers last night I didn't know whether to laugh or cry. The mental bubble that I have carried for fifty-five years of what those old fighters must have looked like has been busted.

Present among those watching was John Indrisano, Tommy Herman, who fought seven worlds champions, Abe Roth—an extremely prominent referee here in Los Angeles, and of course many others. The films were very clear and they had been slowed down so the action was at normal speed. Having seen in person such wonderful fighters as Greb, Tunney, Leonard, Dempsey, Louis, and such—I am grateful (in a way) that these older fighters were finally exposed for what they were.

The best of their era, but unbelievably inadequate. I was sitting next to Abe Roth, and while we were watching supposedly great boxer George Dixon Dixon jumping up and down like a jack-in-the-box, and watching Bob Fitzsimmons swinging all over like a wild man using stiff arm over handed swings, Abe turned to me and said, *"Isn't this ridiculous."* Afterwards we all got together and talked, with everyone expressing disappointment, dismay, and a feeling by all of a childish sadness like when your dad gets punched in the nose and you rudely find out as a kid that he isn't the toughest guy in the world.

One thing is clear to me, when the writers of 60 years ago were telling everyone that these men were fantastic, I'm certain that is the way they felt by their standards of that period. But why, now, 60 years later, do we fool everyone by perpetuating the fame of men who were so unequipped by the standards we demand of great fighters today?

Leslie Lieber,
Los Angeles, Cal.

THAT GUY WAS A REAL INDIAN!

Dear Sir:

There have not been many Indian fighters in the U. S. but with less than half a million Indians in America the Race obviously cannot produce as many fighters as the more prolific groups.

We have had many part Indian fighters but when we turn to the full blooded pugilists the name of Clay Turner stands out.

Turner was a real, honest-to-goodness, Sioux Indian.

You don't hear much about him today, and his record is not in any of the modern record books, but in 1918 Clay Turner was considered to be the uncrowned champion of the light-heavyweights.

Look at the 1918 record of Kid Norfolk, the great Negro light-heavyweight. You will see that on November 19, 1918 he lost an official decision to Turner at Boston. Norfolk's record also shows two 1922 meetings with Turner, without exact dates, and which really took place in 1919.

It was on January 8, 1919 that Turner was knocked out in 4 rounds in Boston. But in the third meeting, at Buffalo, on January 21, 1919, Turner gave Norfolk a thorough going-over, though it was a no-decision contest.

Turner and Levinsky met at Jersey City in a no-decision contest of 8 rounds on August 26, 1918, and the papers said Turner had the best of it. Admittedly, Bat was not in the best of shape, for he beat the Indian in several later meetings, but it is interesting to note that Turner, who bested both Levinsky and Norfolk in 1918, is almost forgotten, while Levinsky and Norfolk live on and on.

Turner served as a sparring partner to Jack Dempsey in 1918. Next time you see Jack, ask him how good Clay Turner was!

Powhatan Burke,
a Cherokee Indian fight fan

CUT IT OUT?

Dear Sir:

Speaking for myself and all of the other people through whose hands my copy of the RING passes each month, I wish to let you know that we are in complete agreement with Mr. John R. Brasier that the wrestling section of the magazine only serves to down-grade a publication which we boxing fans take seriously.

I think that timely proof of this was well demonstrated in the October issue of RING in which Mr. Brasier's opinion appeared. The ridiculous letter from a Jean Mason clearly indicates how sport clowns do their best to get their noses under the tent of legitimate sport.

We will stick with RING through many more increases in price if the male clowns and the even clownier females are eliminated. The female boxing freaks are, of course, beneath serious comment.

Very best of luck for continued success of your fine magazine.

Sincerely,

Jim Coyle,
Rio de Janeiro

SAVE BOXING

Dear Sir:

I have been a reader in good faith of your magazine for many years. I feel that it's time for someone to do something for Boxing. It appears to be a fading sport. Many boxing fans however are afraid to face this fact and raise their voices.

If the proper fighters (and I do mean fighters) were given a chance at the titles they deserve, boxing would again be front page news.

Here are the proper matches and outcomes in my opinion in each class.

Heavyweight—Patterson vs. either Liston or (a fighting) Machen. I think that either of them could beat Patterson.

Lightheavyweight—Moore vs. either Johnson or Bobo Olson. I think that Archie will remain champ for at least another century. But these would really stir up some vitally needed interest.

Middles—Pender ought to resign now. As I saw it, he never won the Championship. It's Fullmer vs. Sugar Ray or Giardello. He'd plough through both in 15 rounds.

Welters—Ralph Dupas could box circles around Paret or any other welter.

Lightweights—Brown vs. Ortiz. Carlos would beat him easily.

I do not know if you will agree on the above bout but I certainly hope you can save Boxing.

Stephen M. Golub
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IN OUR NEXT ISSUE

Our readers, who are interested in the "Good Old Days," will have their fill of reminiscences as the results of the Hall of Fame voting will be made public. Pioneers, Oldtimers, and Modern Groups will be elected by the radio, television, newspaper men from around the world. The Ring will bring you biographies on each man elected and pictures that will be a collectors dream.

The Ring Detective, a feature that has become a favorite of our readers, will have for you another inside revelation into the ponderous unknowns that surround so many boxing matches.

Three big championship fights will be covered directly at ringside by expert analysts, who will bring the reports of these contests to our readers, including a galaxy of action shots.

Nat Fleischer will have a special feature for the "Oldtimers" including photos not available to any other publication.

In addition The Ring will bring its readers an enlarged wrestling section that includes feature articles, gossip on their favorites, results of matches and plenty of photos.

Don't forget you also receive results of all the fights around the globe prepared for you by The Ring's huge corps of correspondents.

Youngsters? We will have profiles of the lads who will someday be the top fighters.

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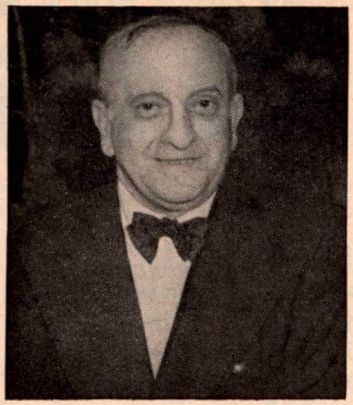

NAT FLEISCHER

Says

THE demise of the Wednesday night television series that emanated from the Chicago Stadium and the shift of the Gillette TV fights from N.B.C. to the A.B.C. outlet and from Friday night to Saturdays, gives boxing only one nationally televised show per week, where, for the past ten years, fans have become accustomed to watching two. The Gillette Saturday night operation got under way with the Lane-Matthews fight in Los Angeles, which replaced the Robinson-Fullmer bout and for the next twelve months both the Garden and its TV sponsor will have an opportunity to gauge the interest of the public in week-end fistic programs.

The loss of publicity due to the early deadline of the Sunday morning newspapers, the elimination of the evening newspaper medium and the fact that family outings on week-ends will cut deeply into the number of television viewers, will have a big effect on the future of television boxing. It's a test for which the razor concern is willing to pay a heavy fee. If successful, it will pave the way for the widening of home pay television which already has made deep inroads into sports promotion in Canada. If however, the ratings of the Saturday shows goes down heavily as compared to the high percentage of the Friday bouts of the past, the television of fights, except where championships or contests of great international interest are concerned, will be doomed.

It won't take long to get the answer to the shift. The obstacles can be overcome only if the fights furnished the TV public are of sufficient interest to keep the fans at home, or better still, induce them to become paying patrons in the arena.

Give the fans a good show and they will attend—TV or no TV.

MEXICAN BAN BRINGS PROTESTS FROM BOXERS

The action of the Mexican Boxing Commission in placing a ban on the appearance of its registered fighters in California matches has created a furore in boxing circles. The action was taken because the top Mexican boxers refuse to accept matches in their country due to the poor remuneration.

Under the matchmaking of George Parnassus of the Olympic Auditorium of Los Angeles, many of the better Mexican fighters have received billing in international contests and have received purses far beyond what can be obtained in their native land. Talent has been developed to an extent that would have been impossible had the Mexican pugilists been confined to boxing in their own territory. Among the flyweights and bantams, Mexico has many of the top ranking world boxers, and in the past few years several attained the heights winning world crowns.

Protests by Mexican promoters that the sport has reached the breaking point due to their inability to match the high purses offered by Parnassus, has brought an ultimatum from the Mexican Commission to the effect that boxers fighting in California without the sanction of the Commission will have their licenses suspended and both fighters and managers will be prevented from leaving the country by having the government withhold visas. The Mexicans are up in arms over this drastic action. They feel that top ranking Mexican fighters will be deprived of the opportunity to obtain purses commensurate with the ability of the fighter and that they will be kept out of championship bouts in which Mexicans have frequently appeared, often with success.

In Los Angeles where most of the leading Mexican pugilists show their wares, there is strong feeling against the edict. It is the opinion of those in charge of the sport that the Mexican Commission is using its threat as a means to force the California State Commission to return to the N.B.A. which it quit a year ago.

Whether true or not, the fact is that the National Boxing Association is vehemently opposed to the Mexican action. The N.B.A. has urged the officials to reconsider its stand because of the benefit the Mexican fighters have derived from appearances in California in major bouts.

Mexican boys have made the greatest progress in the flyweight and bantam classes and this progress should not be thwarted by such silly regulations as have been imposed by the Commission.

ABE GREENE'S SPEECH HITS THE MARK

Abe Greene's speech at the Mexico convention hit the mark. His declaration that Pay-TV which is making rapid strides throughout the country, will make further inroads into stifling the sport, cannot be ignored by those responsible for the future of boxing.

"Out of the frying pan of free television, boxing is now on the verge of being engulfed in the fire of pay-TV hook-ups setting up a monopoly as expansive as those the Federal courts banned and sports writers have decried for years", said Greene.

"The plan, quietly being developed in specific areas around the country, envisions hook-ups with so-called private boxing clubs, tied into regular boxing shows and sold in a package by one promoter. The clubs will buy the deal or be left to their own desperate circumstances which right now are as low as an unexpected rocket. A big time promoter is roaming the national scene, seeking to pluck only the cream of what remains of once prolific million dollar gate prospects. His organization does nothing to build up boxing, to develop talent or to develop the sport."

True words, well spoken. The warning Greene issued his been sounded off before, but to-date no steps have been taken to thwart the movement that will put boxing into the biggest rut it has ever been. If and when this new monopoly obtains a firm grip on boxing there will be no need for State Commissions. They will have little to say unless the various legislative bodies take the bull by the horns and throttle the scheme by making it impossible for any organi-

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By NAT FLEISCHER

WORLD RATINGS

Ratings for the Month ending October 19th

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Over 175 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
FLOYD PATTERSON, Rockville Centre, N. Y.

1—**SONNY LISTON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**INGEMAR JOHANSSON,** Sweden
3—**EDDIE MACHEN,** Portland, Ore.
4—**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Ariz.
5—**HENRY COOPER,** England
6—**MIKE DeJOHN,** Syracuse, N. Y.
7—**ROBERT CLEROUX,** Canada
8—**ALEX MITEFF,** Argentina
9—**DICK RICHARDSON,** Wales
10—**JOE ERSKINE,** Wales

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not over 160 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
PAUL PENDER, Brookline, Mass.

*1—**GENE FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
2—**GUSTAV SCHOLZ,** Germany
3—**HANK CASEY,** Richmond, Calif.
4—**JOEY GIARDELLO,** Philadelphia, Pa.
5—**RAY ROBINSON,** New York, N. Y.
6—**HENRY HANK,** Detroit, Michigan
7—**JOEY GIAMBRA,** San Francisco, Calif.
8—**TERRY DOWNES,** England
9—**DON FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
10—**DICK TIGER,** Nigeria

*NBA Middleweight Champion

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not over 135 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
JOE BROWN, Baton Rouge, La.

1—**DAVE CHARNELY,** England
2—**CARLOS ORTIZ,** New York, N. Y.
3—**LEN MATTHEWS,** Philadelphia, Pa.
4—**CARLOS HERNANDEZ,** Venezuela
*5—**FLASH ELORDE,** Philippines
6—**CISCO ANDRADE,** Compton, Calif.
7—**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, Mich.
8—**EDDIE PERKINS,** Chicago, Ill.
9—**BATTLING TORRES,** Mexico
10—**NURSEY KID,** Philippines

*NBA Junior Lightweight Champion

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(Not over 118 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1—**EDER JOFRE,** Brazil
2—**ALPHONSE HALIMI,** France
3—**PERO ROLLO,** Italy
4—**FREDDIE GILROY,** Ireland
5—**KENJI YONEKURA,** Japan
6—**JOE MEDEL,** Mexico
7—**ELOY SANCHEZ,** Mexico
8—**IGNACIO PINA,** Mexico
9—**JOSE LOPEZ,** Mexico
10—**LEO ESPINOSA,** Philippines

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Not over 175 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
ARCHIE MOORE, San Diego, Calif.

1—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**CHIC CALDERWOOD,** Scotland
3—**ERICH SCHOPPNER,** Germany
4—**WILLIE PASTRANO,** Miami, Fla.
5—**GILUILO RINALDI,** Italy
6—**DOUG JONES,** New York, N. Y.
7—**MIKE HOLT,** South Africa
8—**BOBO OLSON,** Portland, Ore.
9—**JOHNNY HALAFIHI,** Tonga
10—**GERMINAL BALLARIN,** France

WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not over 147 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
BENNY PARET, Cuba

1—**LUIS RODRIQUEZ,** Cuba
2—**FEDERICO THOMPSON,** Argentina
3—**RALPH DUPAS,** New Orleans, La.
4—**DENNY MOYER,** Portland, Ore.
5—**DON JORDAN,** Los Angeles, Calif.
6—**EMILE GRIFFITH,** New York, N. Y.
*7—**DUILIO LOI,** Italy
8—**FLORENTINO FERNANDEZ,** Cuba
9—**JORGE FERNANDEZ,** Argentina
10—**GASPAR ORTEGA,** Mexico

*NBA Junior Welterweight Champion

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(Not over 126 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
DAVEY MOORE, Springfield, Ohio

1—**GRACIEUX LAMPERTI,** France
2—**SUGAR RAMOS,** Cuba
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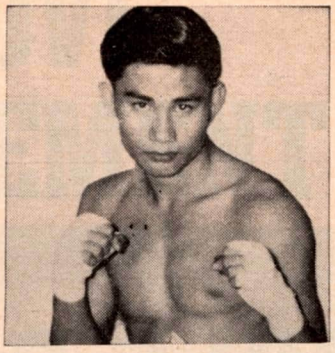
7—**FELIX CERVANTES,** Los Angeles, Calif.
8—**RAY NOBILE,** Italy
9—**TERRY SPINKS,** England
10—**DANNY VALDEZ,** Los Angeles, Calif.

FLYWEIGHTS
(Not over 112 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
PONE KINGPETCH, Thailand

1—**MIMUM BEN ALI,** Spain
2—**PASCUAL PEREZ,** Argentine
3—**SADAO YAOITA,** Japan
4—**JOHNNY CALDWELL,** Ireland
5—**DOMMY URSUA,** Stockton, Calif.
6—**EDMUNDO ESPARZA,** Mexico
7—**RAMON ARIAS,** Venezuela
8—**MITSUNROI SEKI,** Japan
9—**LEO ZULUETA,** Philippines
10—**RISTO LUUKKONEN,** Finland

Pone Kingpetch, Fighter of the Month



THE Orient, with many excellent flyweights and bantams, came to the fore during the past month with topnotch performances against foreign talent of note. By far the best was that of Pone Kingpetch of Thailand, world flyweight king who, fighting the style of the Americans and Europeans, proved to the world that his previous defeat of Pascual Perez was no fluke or an early Christmas gift when he successfully defended his crown in Los Angeles, stopping Perez in their return engagement in the eighth round.

That victory brought him the Ring's Honor of the Month Award. The Ring's world championship belt will be given to him when he next defends his crown in Tokyo.

Perez has been dropped to second place in the international rankings with Mimum Ben Ali of Spain advanced to top challenger.

Other changes in the flyweight class find Dommy Ursua of Stockton, Cal., loser to Leo Zulueta of the Philippines, dropped from third to fifth, Sadao Yaoita of Japan, Orient champion replacing him.

Johnny Caldwell, who won the British championship has advanced to fourth from fifth place.

Mitsunroi Seki, ranked top challenger for the Orient crown and possible next opponent in a championship match with Kingpetch, is rated eighth. Hiram Bacallao of Cuba is removed and Zulueta, ninth. This constitutes the widest shift in some time in the division.

Bacallao, was kayoed by Pedro Ortiz.

With Bacallao, out, Ramon Arias of Venezuela remains in seventh and Edmundo Esparza of Mexico moved up two notches to sixth.

Joe Erskine of Wales has been returned to the international ratings due to his kayo triumph over Spanish champion, Jose Gonzales. Erskine replaces Billy Hunter of Detroit in tenth post.

There was little action among the light heavies and no changes.

Hank Casey's victory over Henry Hank of Detroit advanced Casey from sixth to third in the middleweight division with Hank dropping to sixth. Joey Giardello, upset by Terry Downes of England went down from second to fifth and Terry returned in eighth place. Dick Tiger, idle since June, has been dropped from eighth to tenth and Jesse Smith is out.

In the welter class, Mexican crowd pleaser, Gaspar Ortega who has won his last five in a row, rejoins the top ten, replacing inactive Sugar Hart of Philadelphia in tenth position and Jorge Fernandez of Argentina, victor over Denny Moyer, is ninth, replacing Charley Scott of Philadelphia, with Moyer, down from third to fourth.

Hard punching Nursery Kid of the Philippines (Bert Somodio) is the new face among the lightweights, he replaced inactive Paolo Rosi of New York in tenth post.

Among the feathers, newly crown British king Terry Spinks of London, has replaced Ike Chestnut of New York in the ninth spot. Ike lost to Tommy Tibbs while Terry kayoed Bobby Neill and Ricardo Gonzalez, of Argentina, kayoed by Danny Valdez of Los Angeles, fell from third to fifth and Valdez joined the ratings in tenth spot.

The busiest class was the bantams, it possesses many top lads. Kenji Yonekura's loss to Eduardo Guerrero of Mexico, caused the Japanese to drop from fourth to fifth with Freddie Gilroy of Ireland up to fourth. Ignacio Pina of Mexico loser to Dennis Adji of Nigeria, dropped from sixth to eighth. Joe Medel and Eloy Sanchez, Mexicans, advanced to sixth and seventh, respectively.

Guerrera; Herman Marques; Billy Rafferty; Pedro Ortiz; Nelson Estrada, and Carlos Hernandez, all are worthy of ratings though the ten limit forces their omission. The leading results of the month follow:

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

HEAVYWEIGHT—Andy Holt, Detroit, Mich.
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT—Harry Tann, Milwaukee, Wisc.
MIDDLEWEIGHT—Robert Yarbrough, Chicago, Ill.
WELTERWEIGHT—Henry Hall, Los Angeles, Calif.
LIGHTWEIGHT—Kenny Tavares, New Bedford, Mass.
FEATHERWEIGHT—Johnny Glasgow, Los Angeles, Calif.
BANTAMWEIGHT—Don Weller, England
FLYWEIGHT—Don James, Wales

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Zora Folley whipped Willie Besmanoff, 10.
Robert Cleroux kayoed Richie Norden, 3.
Joe Erskine stopped Jose Gonzales, 5.
Hans Kalbfell stopped Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson, 8. Cortez Stewart whipped Ernie Cab, 10. Warnell Lester defeated Calvin Butler, 10.
Hank Thurman defeated Lolo Lozano, 10. Alfredo Zuany halted Dave Rent, 8. Sammy Edwards stopped Joe Louis Adams, 10.
Catarino Guerrero kayoed Perico Andrade, 8. Elmer Hardy kayoed Buddy Burton, 1. Johnny Twohads beat Abe Davis, 6, and kayoed Marty Condon, 1. John Hayden defeated Norm Letcher, 6.
Phonse LaSaga kayoed Clarence Denton, 3. Harvey Howell kayoed Buford Wallace, 3. Aaron Beasley defeated Gorilla Gould, 6.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Freddie Blades decisioned Gorilla Gould, 10.
Joe DeNucci won over Babe Simmons, 10. Omar Tissera kayoed Horacio Ferrari, 2. Bobby Gorden kayoed Bobby Sand, 7.
Willie Dante defeated Jules Owens, 6. Johnny Bonner won over Lou Bailey, 6.
Otha Brown whipped Tony Masciarelli, 8. Harry Tann kayoed Robert Baker, 2. Frank Davis stopped Collier Hester, 4. Wayne Thronton kayoed Uga Too, 4.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Joey Giardello kayoed Clarence Hinnant, 3, then was upset by British champ Terry Downes, 10.
Hank Casey outpointed Henry Hank, 10, after Henry had been held to a draw by Jesse Smith, 10. Gene Armstrong and Ernie Burford, drew, 10. Obduilio Nunez upset British Empire champ Wilf Greaves, 10.
Farid Salim kayoed Roberto Velis, 3, and beat Ubaldo Sacco, 12. Chebo Hernandez regained the Mexican title, kayoing Alfonso Flores, 7. Willie Green kayoed Butch Craig, 5.
Joe Blackwood whipped Otto Smith, 8. Blair Richardson kayoed Teddy Myrick, 5. Duane Horsman defeated Clarence Harbin, 8. Kelvin Scott whipped Evelio Rios, 10. Ernie Smith defeated Lee Ballard, 8.
Ubaldo Sacco stopped Roberto Carbajal, 5. Baby Colon outscored George Price, 10. Aurelio Rergis kayoed Jose Martinez, 4. Chico Corsey upset Steve Traitz, 8.
Albert Carroll won from Orlando Paso, 8. Willie Jennings stopped Mike Gilman, 4. John Ford kayoed Ray Butler, 1.
Skippy Green kayoed Al Styles, 5. Sonny Hill and Clarence Riley, drew, 6. Jimmy Connors stopped Eddie Scurlock, 3. Robert Yarbrough and Tommy Caldwell, drew, 6.
Nick Kovac beat Johnny Griffiths, 6. Mel Fulgham kayoed Ray Lopez, 4. Marty Kaplan kayoed Tony Gulotta, 3.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Jannie Botes won the South African welter title on a disqualification over Willie Toweel, 8. Tony Smith outscored Gale Kerwin, 10.
Gaspar Ortega kayoed Karl-Heinz Guder, 6. Jorge Fernandez won from Stefan Redl, 10 and upset Denny Moyer, 10.
British Champion Wally Swift defeated Henri Cabelduc, 10. Joe Gonzalez stopped Candy McFarland, 3. Gaspar Ortega whipped Kid Rayo, 10.
Vince Martinez outscored Basil Campbell, 10. Ricardo Falech defeated Ted Wright, 10. Celestino Pinto defeated Alfredo Paz, 10. Willie Ross kayoed Luis Garduno, 11. Tony DeCola won over Julie Jamison, 8. Bruce Gibson whipped Johnny Alford, 8.
Cecil Shorts whipped T. J. Jones, 8. Bobby Hurtt whipped Brown Lee, 6. Dave Cervantes kayoed Bill McDonald, 10. Al Mendoza kayoed Chamco Lopez, 6, but lost to Jess Bogart, 10. Manuel Castro kayoed Ray Mejia, 8. Gerald Gray outpointed Basil Campbell, 15.
Ronnie Cohen kayoed Johnny Gorman, 2. Ray Terrazas whipped Mike Coronado, 10. Marcelo Vargas kayoed Pichon Reyes, 4. Enrique Tovar kayoed Pedro Buckjones, 2.
Joey Donovan outscored Bobby Bartels, 10. Jimmy McGrail outpointed Larry Baker, 8; Larry stopped Freddie Tiedt, 3. Jerry Pate outscored Hideo Morohara, 10. Terry Flores beat Takao Maemizu, 10.
Eddie Granke won over Don Vincent, 6. Don stopped Meryl Olmstead, 5, but then lost again to Eddie, 6. Sugar Boy Green won over Melville Bennett, 8. Don Weller defeated Mervin Dandridge, 6. Wilson Harris whipped Nat Oliphant, 6, Nat kayoed Jimmy Wallace, 2.
Peter Schmidt beat Sonny Forbes, 6. Joey Durelle whipped Blaine Hayden, 6. Nolan Duplessis kayoed Calvin Cleary, 2.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

World Champion Joe Brown kayoed Battling Torres, 4. (non-title).
Len Matthews halted Jorge Quintero, 6, and Kenny Lane, 3, Lane had kayoed Sid Adams, 1. Cisco Andrade kayoed Ramon Gastelun, 9.
Carlos Hernandez kayoed Bobby Ros, 6. Eddie Perkins outscored Gene Gresham, 10, Gene had bested Larry Godih, 10. Jamie Gine outscored Vicente Derado, 12. Johnny Gonsalves outboxed Ben Medina, 10. Teddy Davis defeated Tommy Romulo, 10.
Nursery Kid kayoed Kelichi Ishikawa, 8. Guillermo Medina won

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WILL PENDER FIGHT FULLMER OR ROBINSON?

CHAOS IN MIDDLE DIVISION

By NAT FLEISCHER

BOXING'S most controversial division – the middleweight – will have a peculiar setup when Gene Fullmer, the National Boxing Association's champion and Ray Robinson, the man who was dethroned by the N.B.A., face each other in Los Angeles on December 8 in what is being advertised as a world championship match. Strange things happen in boxing, and this is one of the top oddities that has faced the public in a division that has been loaded for many years with unusual situations."

In a few days after the match has been decided, and either Gene will have retained his half of the middle crown or Robinson will have established a new high by gaining his seventh championship, plans will be announced pertaining to a complete solution of the chaos into which the N.B.A. placed the class, by matching the N.B.A. winner with the Massachusetts, New York, and European Boxing Federation's recognized world title holder, Paul Pender.

The only obstacle that remains to clinch such contest, negotiations for which have been going on for upwards of two months, is the venue. If Fullmer should be returned the California winner, he insists that Los Angeles or San Francisco be the scene and if Sugar Ray comes out on top, he wants New York. Pender, is holding out for Massachusetts.

Commission politics makes the situation more involved. The Massachusetts Boxing Board, which quit the N.B.A. because of the action of the N.B.A. against Robinson in which he was shorn of the crown, has let it be known that it will return to the folds of that organization if the N.B.A. will guarantee that the Pender vs. Fullmer or Robinson winner, will stage the world middleweight championship match in Boston. That's the situation as we go to press.

The public's apathy toward the business of having two world middleweight kings, is reflected in the fact that to arouse interest, it was necessary for Robinson to eat crow by returning to the N.B.A. fold after he had threatened suit in Federal Court for having had his title taken from him—a suit which precedent indicated he could have won.

The present situation is a reminder of what took place after Mickey Walker, the undisputed title holder, had vacated his throne back in 1930, that brought about the begining of an era of interference with the general rules of world boxing. It began with New York and the N.B.A. each deciding on an elimination to obtain Mickey's successor. Why the dual elimination, nobody seemed to know, except that New York and the N.B.A. have always been at loggerheads when it came to prestige, each seeking to show the world that it was the top ruling power in the United States in boxing.

Gorilla Jones won the N.B.A. crown and Ben Jeby won the New York version of the championship. That was the start of a mess that every now and then has continued over the years in a division that at one time boasted of the world's greatest talent.

In 1932 Jones went to Paris to fight Marcel Thil. He lost to the Frenchman on a foul in the eleventh round.

The French International Boxing Union and the N.B.A. promptly rec-

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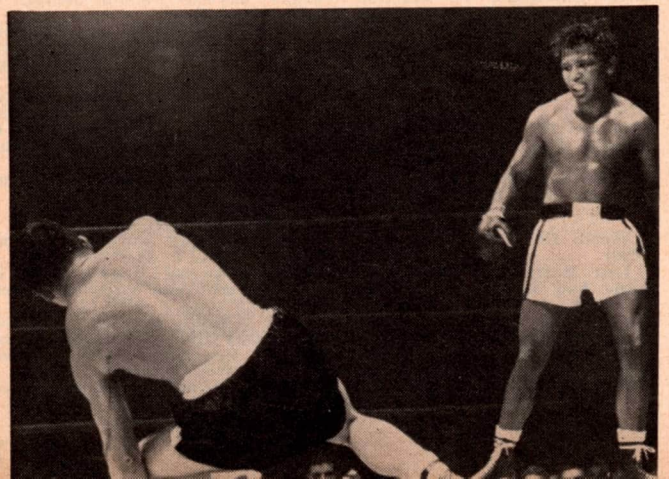
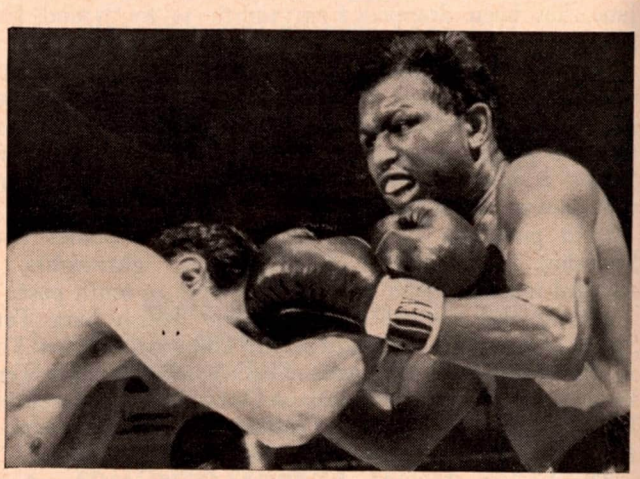
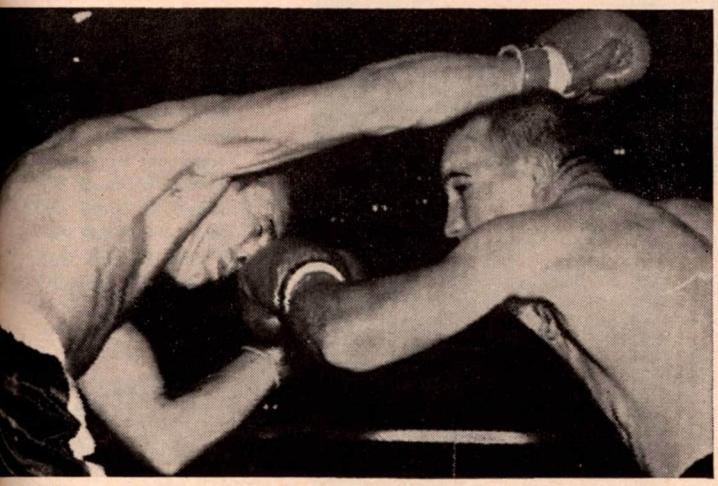
Gene Fullmer settles on the canvas after running into Robbie's potent left hook in their last meeting three years ago in Chicago. If Sugar Ray should repeat, he will confuse the confused middleweight issue even more.





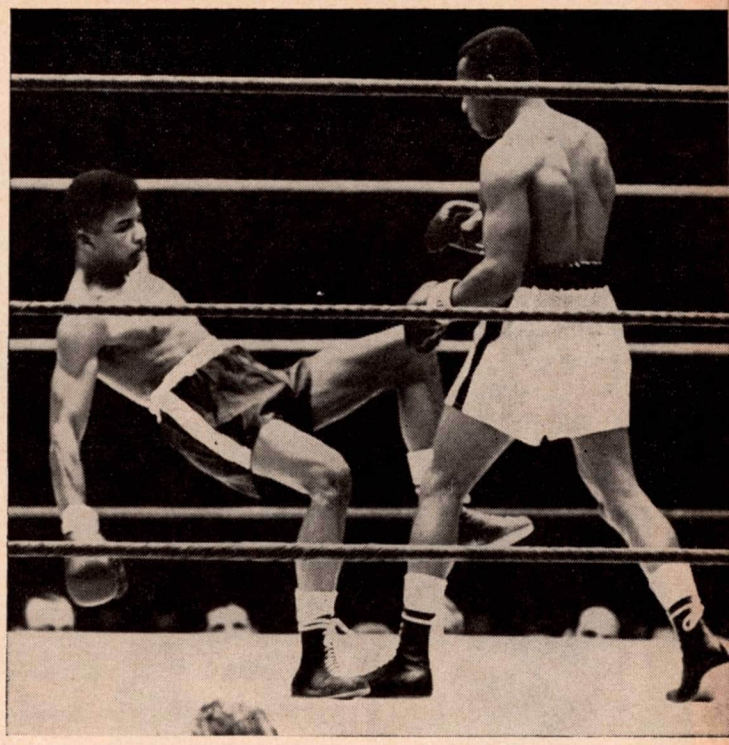
Paul Pender lands a right to the jaw of a tired Robinson in their Boston rematch that saw Paul hold on to his world crown. Rather than fight Pender to clear up matters, Fullmer has chosen to face Ray in an attempt to gain revenge. How will it all come out? Next month's Fullmer-Robinson fight should prove half the answer and clear the way to a contest to provide one universally recognized champion.

GLOVE EXCITEMENT



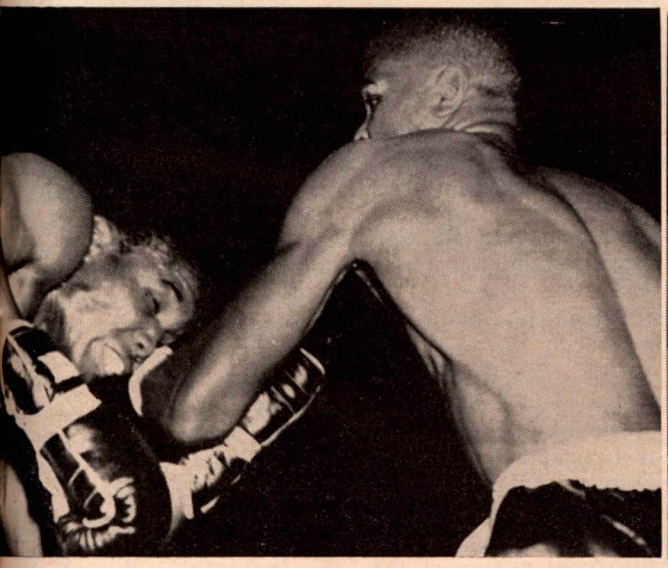
Twenty year old Don Fullmer, youngest of the fighting West Jordan, Utah trio, turned in a real surprise when he fought to a draw with European champion Gustav Scholz in Frankfurt, Germany. By his triumph Don gained a place in the world ratings, the first time since the hey-day of Max and Buddy Baer that brothers have rated among the top ten in the same class.

Don is seen landing a solid left to the nose of Scholz. Fullmer forced the action against his crafty, southpaw foe and earned the cheers of the 13,000 fans, who thought he would prove a soft touch for Gustav.



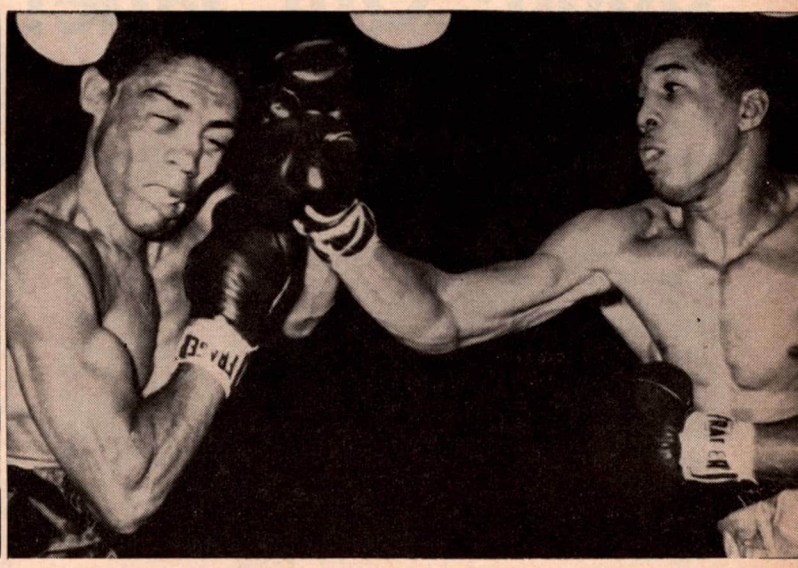
Gene Gresham slips to the canvas during the first round of his bout in Chicago Stadium against localite Eddie Perkins. The fight closed out the series of Wednesday night TV fights. Perkins won the unanimous decision as he outfought and outboxed Gresham, who was a substitute. Gene had won a decision over Lahouari Godih five days earlier in Detroit.

Perkins, who possesses a fine left hook, has moved into the picture as a title contender with his recent victories over Chico Rollins, Paolo Rosi, Joey Lopes and now Gresham, who suffered only the second loss in his 29 bout career.



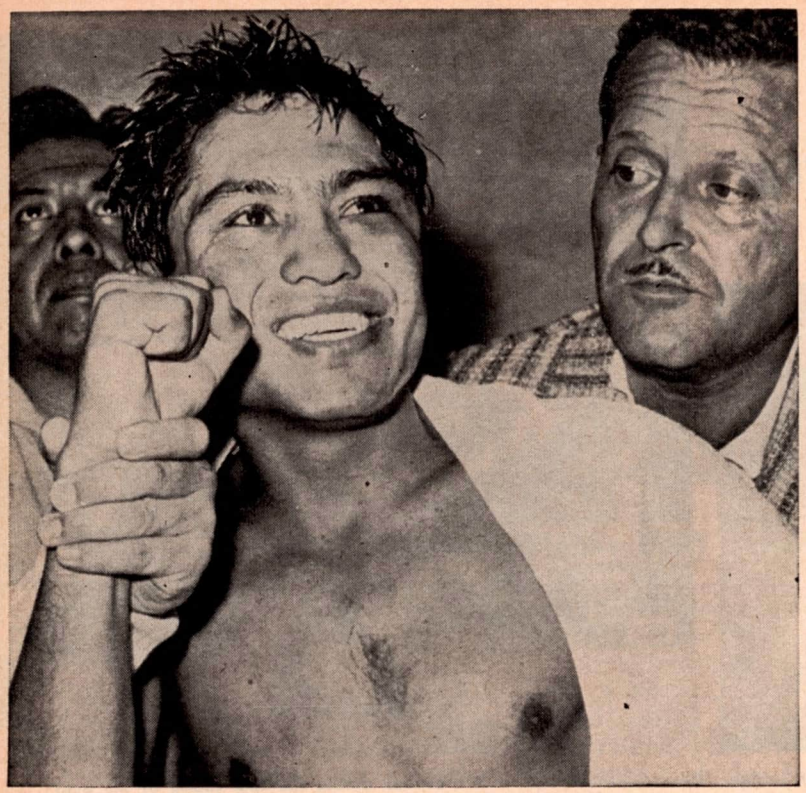
Richmond, California idol, Hank Casey, proved the better man in his rubber meeting with Henry Hank of Detroit in San Francisco, and gained the verdict after ten thrilling rounds.

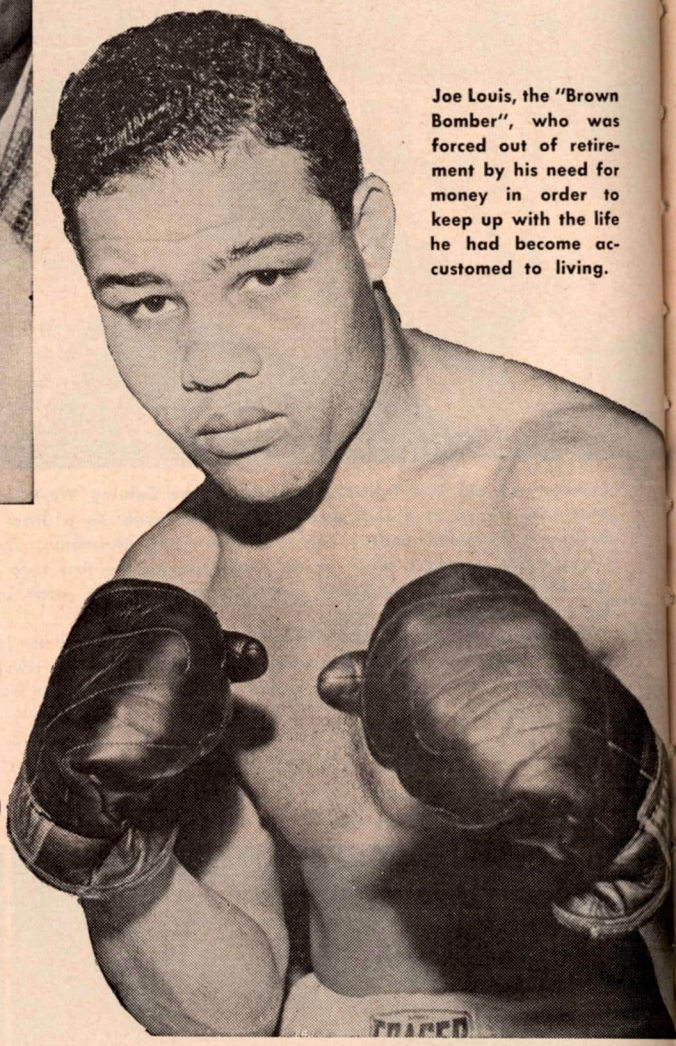
These two top ranked 160 pounders fought a stirring fight with Hank trying to land his big one on Casey, but the West Coast star kept him off stride with left jabs and quick two-handed flurries to win the bout. As in his previous fight with Jesse Smith, Henry staged a furious rally in the final round.



Ernie Burford (left) of Memphis, Tenn., fought his way into the spotlight by holding highly regarded Gene (Ace) Armstrong of Linden, N. J., to a ten round draw in their TV fight from Chicago.

Ernie, who holds a win over Henry Hank, proved to be just as fast a puncher and clever boxer as Armstrong, who has faced most of the top men and was making a comeback after a six months layoff. The fight was brisk and hard fought but neither man carried the fire power to hurt the other.





Joe Louis, the "Brown Bomber", who was forced out of retirement by his need for money in order to keep up with the life he had become accustomed to living.

JOSE BECERRA

Retired For Good? Qui Sabe?

By NAT LOUBET

IF Jose Becerra resents the skepticism that is manifested in some quarters over his recent announcement that he has retired from the ring, he should be comforted by the knowledge that this is not based on any feeling of insincerity on his part but rather on the history of the ring.

There are many reasons why boxers rarely remain retired. Psychologically they miss the plaudits of the crowds, and the hero or idol worship and colorful people of both sexes who surround the successful. Then fighters are usually inherently poor business men. They are more than likely to run out of folding money quickly once they hang up their gloves.

It is only human to forget the hungry days and consider a greenback for its true worth when the dough is pouring in.

Joe Louis is one of the more illustrious examples of a nice guy who thought the gravy train was going to last forever. An easy fellow with a buck, money was a commodity to be treated with abandon . . . all one had to do was go to the bank to fill the wallet. The bank was filled by fighting and fighting could go on forever.

An amiable host, almost too many guests, a golf buff whose idea of fun was to play Russian Roulette on the golf course . . . to take on a few top pros at a thousand a hole for kicks . . . that was Joe's idea of entertainment.

Joe announced his retirement on March 1, 1949, arranged an exhibition tour and arbitrarily nominated Ezzard Charles and Jersey Joe Walcott as "his" logical choice to fight it out in a one bout elimination to determine Louis' successor for the world heavyweight championship.

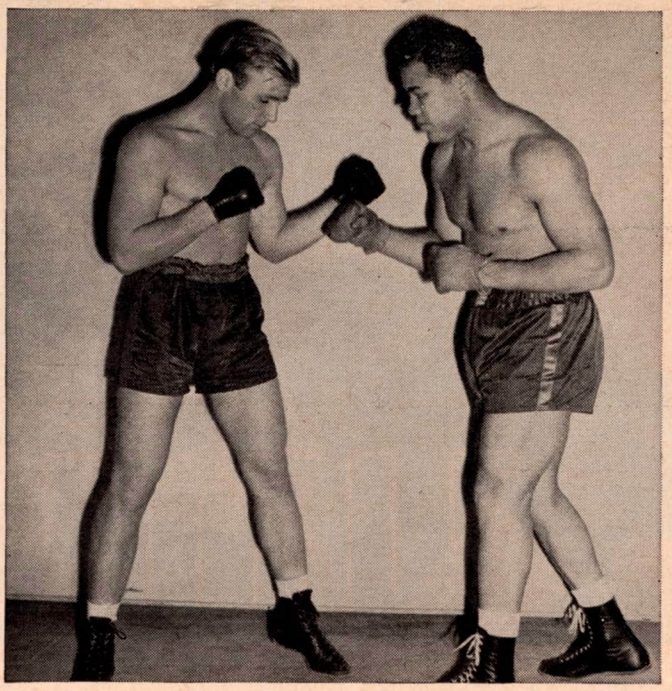
It was a proud Louis who departed his throne unbeaten, and like Gene Tunney he was a legend.

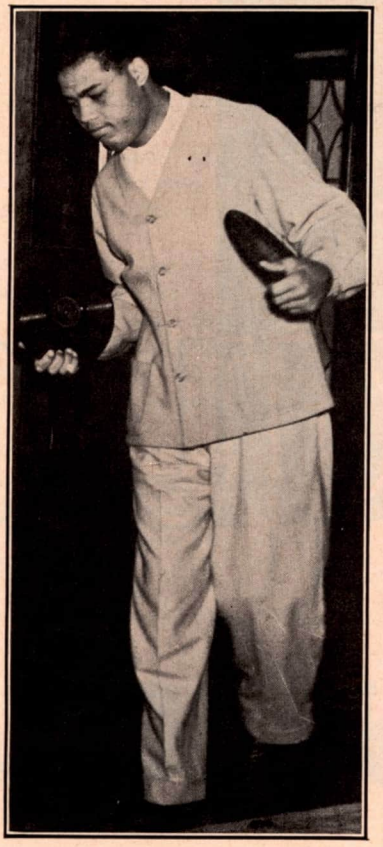
Louis picked up a few bucks on his tour of Nassau, Cuba and other hinterlands while Charles, quick to take advantage of Louis' recommendations, took on Jersey Joe Walcott on June 22nd, in Chicago, defeating Jersey Joe over fifteen rounds to win the N.B.A. (National Boxing Association) version of the heavyweight title. New York refused to go along and held the title in abeyance.

Louis continued his exhibition tour during early 1950 but soon discovered that being the undefeated ex-champ wasn't insurance guaranteeing him the big money he had been accustomed to receiving.

There was only one thing to do. Fight his way out of his financial problems. A tacit understanding with the International Boxing Club of New York and the New York State Athletic Commission paved the way for a meeting with Charles in which Louis would represent the New

Louis poses with golfer Joe Kirkwood, who also earned fame as Movieland's Joe Palooka. If Joe had met golfing's top men in this manner instead of on the links he would have saved himself a small fortune.





Life of the Party, Shuffiing Joe, enjoys music and dancing. While not a play-boy Louis did like to keep up with the Joneses and enjoyed surrounding himself with an entourage as much as possible while picking up all the tabs.

York and its associated boxing bodies' title and Charles would represent the N.B.A.

On the night of September 22, 1950, approximately eighteen months after vacating his throne, Joe climbed into a ring in an attempt to regain the championship.

Destiny ruled otherwise.

Charles won the fifteen rounder with his faster boxing and speed of hands. It was obvious that Joe had aged. The Bomber didn't come close to cracking an egg with his vaunted punching ability.

Legends die hard and the invincibility of Joe Louis needed a lot of killing.

Even the experts went on record that all the ex-champ needed was perhaps a little more sharpening up. After all real fights are a little different from barnstorming around the country in exhibitions.

Joe was the last to be convinced that he was kaput. He did a workman-like job on Cesar Brion, knocked out Freddie Beshore in four, defeated the Iron-fisted Cuban, Omelio Agramonte, knocked out Andy Walker in ten and took on Agramonte again to prove he could go ten fast sessions and come out on top . . . he did. Lee Savold was fairly well over the hill but a good name and Louis added him to his build up, icing Lee in six heats.

Having found a winning combination in his previous meeting with Cesar Brion, it was to be expected that they would clash again. Joe again won a decision from the South American and finished his drive toward another crack at the crown by out-punching Jimmy Bivins at Baltimore for ten rounds. Only one man remained in his path to another shot at Charles. That man was Rocky Marciano, considered clumsy, lacking in finesse and pointed to as an amateur among the pros.

"Louis can take that guy and call the round," was the general comment.

Madison Square Garden played host to Louis' last professional fight. The time was October 26, 1951 and Marciano surprised all but a few friends and relatives from Brockton, Mass., who came to root for him. A shadow of the ex-champ, the Great Brown Bomber, faced Rocky and had little to offer in rebuttal to the determined effort made by Rocky who was backed by youth, endurance and ability to sock with authority.

Joe, an empty shell, stayed out of serious trouble for the better part of seven rounds. Then came the eventful eighth with Louis shooting two lefts to Marciano's jaw and Rocky retaliating with a left to Joe's jaw that stretched the ex-title holder on the canvas for an eight count.

The savage, bruising, ever-crowding tactics of Marciano were paying off. Louis looked like an old man as he wobbled to his feet. His legs quivered but he remained upright long enough to jab a weak left in the direction of Marciano.

It was his last conscious movement. A series of lefts and rights to his head sent Joe reeling out of the ring, out on the ring apron. There he lay on his back while referee Ruby Goldstein counted the fateful ten and at 2:26, Louis' hopes of being heavyweight champ again had fled.

Do you blame anyone for viewing an announcement of retirement with skepticism?

More fighters have returned to boxing after hanging up their gloves on a temporary basis than a dog has fleas. Will Becerra be one of them?

To answer that, one would have to be sure just what is bugging the retired world champion from Mexico. Has his knockout at the hands of Elroy Sanchez in the eighth round of a non-tile match, brought about his determination to quit? This corner says "NO!"

Some believe that the mighty mite with the powdering left hook lost much of his fire after he killed Walt Ingram in Mexico in 1959. His vaunted hook has been coming across with less assurance.

Norman Lockwood, his American representative, has tried everything to dig out facts that cause a youngster of only 24 years, sitting on top of the heap, to quit his profession.

Can he afford it? Men with good bankrolls couldn't, even when they had to, and Jose hasn't put sufficient in mothballs to see him through many springs.

Rumors have drifted around the gyms in California that Jose has been having trouble with an eye ever since he won

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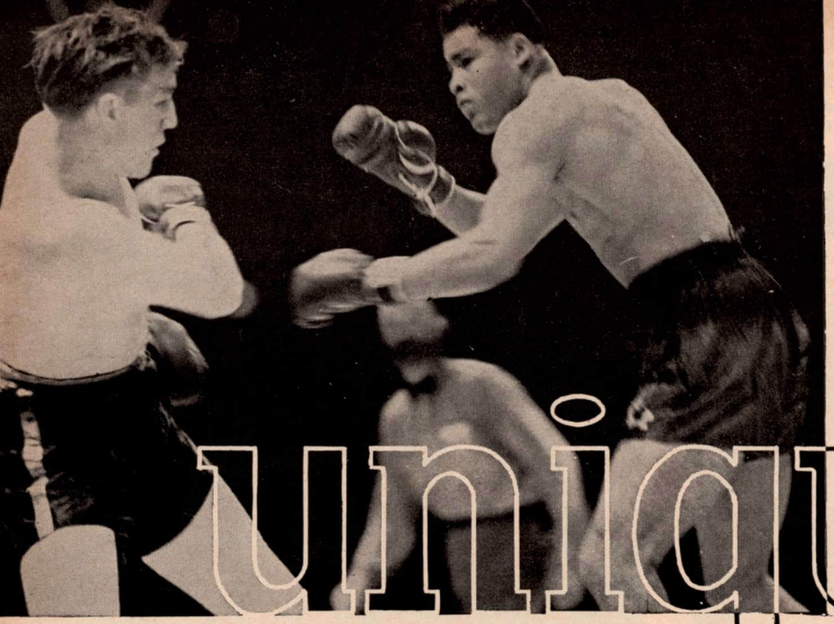

Unique?

Where, In The Category Style, Did Joe Louis Fit?

By GENE WARD
NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

GOOD fights and good fighters may be in short supply at the moment, but the arguments, covering every phase of fisticuffing, go on and on in unrefutable testimony to the fans unflagging interest in the sport.

Overheard recently was a debate on the always controversial subject of styles. One party insisted that Joe Louis was "an aggressive counter-puncher" while the other, in violent disagreement, claimed the Brown Bomber was "a two-fisted slugger."

The adversaries in this particular debate being possessed of heavyweight physiques, it was decided to arbitrate the question from the sanctuary of the typewriter. From this position it is possible to tell them that they're both wrong.

In Louis they were dealing with a style so unique that it cannot be so easily pigeon-holed. The great heavyweight champion, who ruled the roost from 1937 to 1949, defending his crown 25 times before he retired, had many imitators, but none came close to copying what, in actuality, was a perfect blend of several fistic styles.

Rocky Marciano, for instance, was a "slugging, two-fisted fighter," and can be placed in no other category.

Henry Armstrong was a go-go-go type who parlayed pressure and stamina for his ring successes.

They called Jake LaMotta the Bronx Bull and it was the perfect nickname for a fighter with a "bulling" style.

Some are slicksters, some are spoilers and many adapt the best and the worst ingredients of several styles. They are the hodge-podge fighters.

Ray Robinson was a boxer-puncher pure-and-simple, and the "was" is intentional because over-the-hill Sugar now has turned more and more to slugging in the twilight of his career, winging his punches as so many have done when their reflexes deteriorate. His idea now, is to try for a quick knockout, since age has taken its toll and he no longer can depend on speed cleverness.

But not Louis. He never changed. Even on the night that Marciano maced him onto the ring apron at Madison Square Garden, Joe's methodical style, with its upright stance and snapping short punches, remained unchanged. And the jab, the basic weapon in his arsenal, retained all its old, bruising power. Rocky's battered face was testimony to that.

There was nothing flashy about Louis' style. He was a dead-panned stalker who wasted nothing in fancy-Dan moves or desultory sparring. He was geared and gaited for destruction.

Certainly, he was aggressive and he could counter-punch. Also, he could slug and his two-fisted flurries were barrages in which more solid blows were unleashed than the average fighter throws in a full round. But his slugging was not slugging in the modern connotation of the word, because it was harnessed and controlled with almost machine-like precision.

Sometimes it was the cumulative effect of the Louis punches which beat his victims, rather than any one blow or series of blows. But more often than not, it was the sequence of his socking which created the havoc. By punching to the body he would force the opponent to drop his guard and leave the way open for an attack to the head.

This is old-stuff in strategy, of course, but none used it quite as well as Louis at least none of the moderns. Stanley Ketchel probably was his equal as a two-fisted hitter, but he was of the slam-bang school and developed his power from an open stance.

To find the Louis look-alike as to style one would have to go back to Jack Johnson. And to find artists of the short punch, blows that never traveled more than a foot, and seldom that, one would have to go back to Sam Langford and Bob Fitzsimmons.

There isn't a fighter in action today who uses anything remotely resembling the Louis style or the Louis blend of styles. Sonny Liston has a power-packed jab, but he employs it far less effectively because he throws from longer range, and from a less compact stance.

Floyd Patterson, with his peek-a-boo defense, plays the waiting game. He begins approaching his potential as a fighter only when he discards such strategy and applies pressure.

As for Ingemar Johansson, he is strictly a right hand puncher, albeit a good one. But no fighter ever became great without also owning a left hand.

The styles of today are, to a great extent, dictated by television which demands action and more action. It has become the popular belief among fighters that the quickest way to success is the joining of the slam-bang set. Finesse has been tossed out of the window in favor all-out punching,

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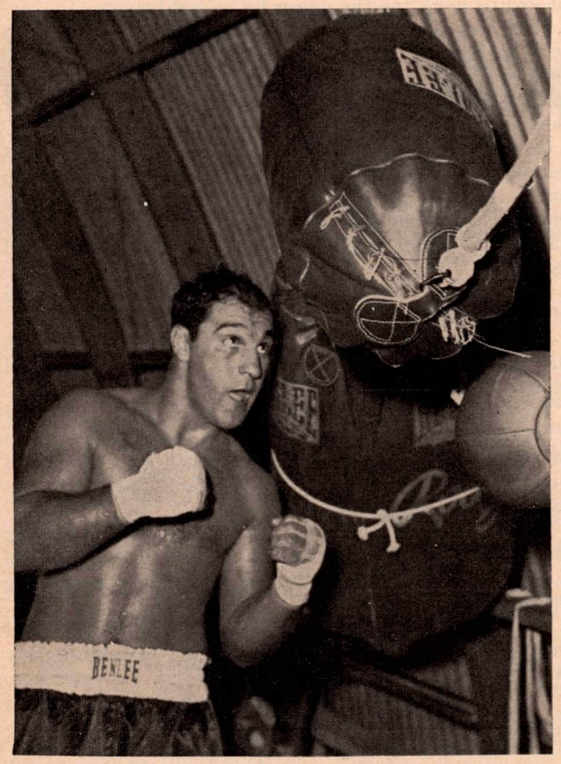
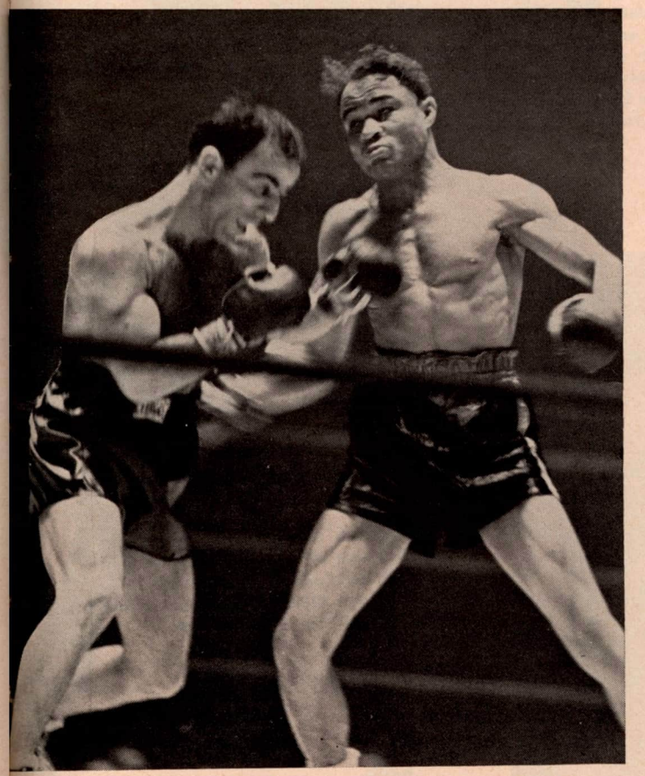
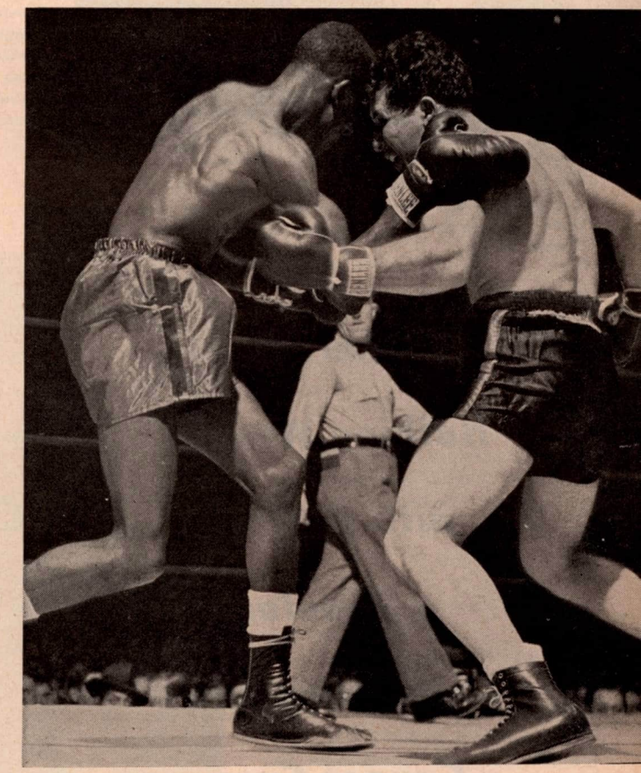


If Marciano had been unique it would have to be in his ability to knockout an opponent because his style was a simple one, that of the slugging-two-fisted fighter.

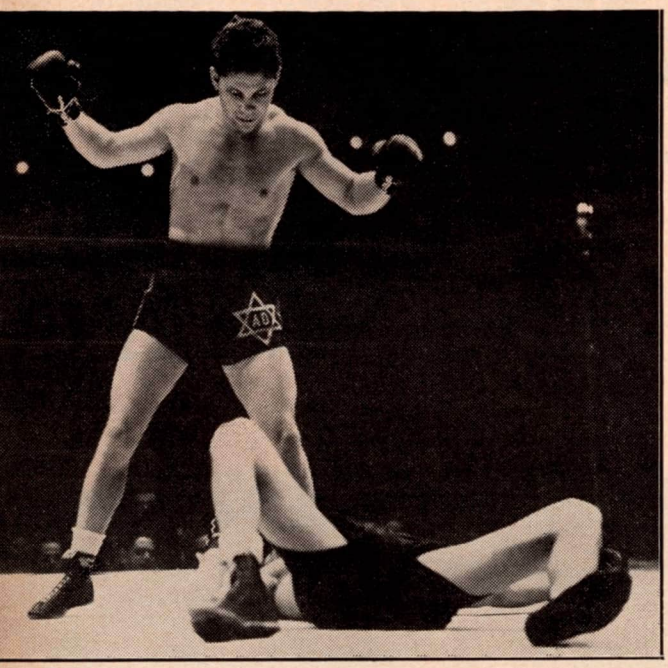


"Suicide Hank", as Henry Armstrong was called, is seen here destroying Petey Sarron in sixth round of their 1937 fight. Hammering Henry's style has been labeled as "go-go-go".



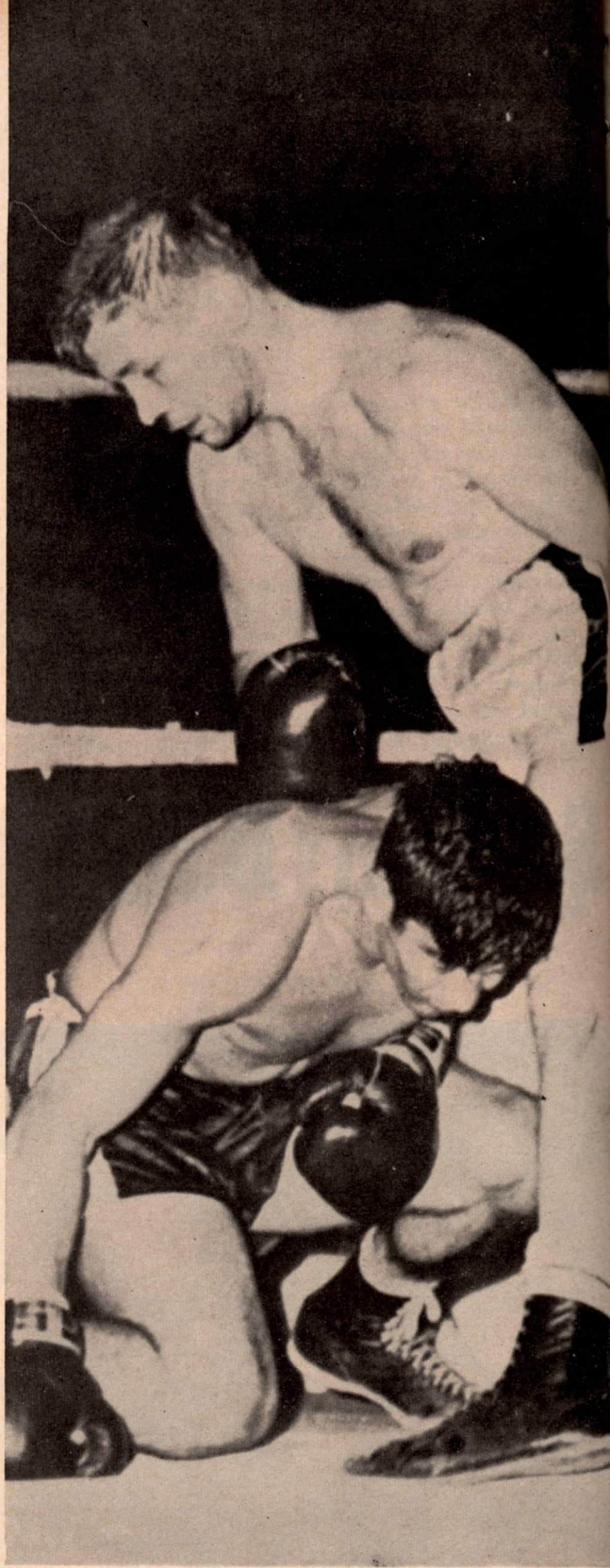
Jake LaMotta (right) bamming his way to victory for the third straight time over Tommy Bell in their 1947 New York meeting. Jake received his nickname of the "Bronx bull" from his "bulling" slam-bang style

The GOLDEN TOUCH



The late Al (Bummy) Davis, an exciting fighter, lusty puncher and big box-office attraction during his brief but tempestuous career, is seen here knocking out Tippy Larkin in Madison Square Garden.

There's Nothing Wrong with Boxing a Popular Local Attraction Cannot Cure



Young Robert Cleroux, who has revived boxing interest in Montreal by sensational knockout of Roy Harris (above) and victory over George Chuvalo for Canadian heavyweight title. The two bouts grossed more than $100,000 in receipts, establishing Cleroux as a fighter with the Golden Touch.

By JERSEY JONES

THERE was considerable eyebrow-lifting in the sock market recently when dispatches out of Montreal reported that, in successive bouts, a young local French-Canadian heavyweight, Robert Cleroux, had attracted gross box-office business of more than $100,000.

Tangling with his first "name" opponent, Roy Harris, the youthful Canuck accounted for receipts of nearly $40,000—and the figure would have reached even more impressive proportions had it not been for threatening weather. Then, a few weeks later, Cleroux and his Toronto rival, George Chuvalo, battling for the Canadian heavyweight title, grossed $62,000 in receipts.

A fighter capable of drawing $100,000 or more in two bouts is headline news these days.

Developments in Montreal add further substantiation to the contention that there's nothing much the matter with boxing that a "hot" local attraction cannot cure.

We've had other instances in recent years similar to Cleroux's in Montreal.

In 1956, when Northwest fans were becoming excited about the rapid rise of heavyweight Pat McMurtry, the young man drew successive gates of $56,000 and $54,000 with Ezzard Charles and Willie Pastrano in his native Tacoma, Wash.

Then, in 1957, when Texans were enthusiastically envisioning Roy Harris as a future world heavyweight champion, the Cut-and-Shoot youngster, with Pastrano as the party of the other part, set what was then a new boxing record for the Lone Star State by attracting receipts of $47,000 in Houston.

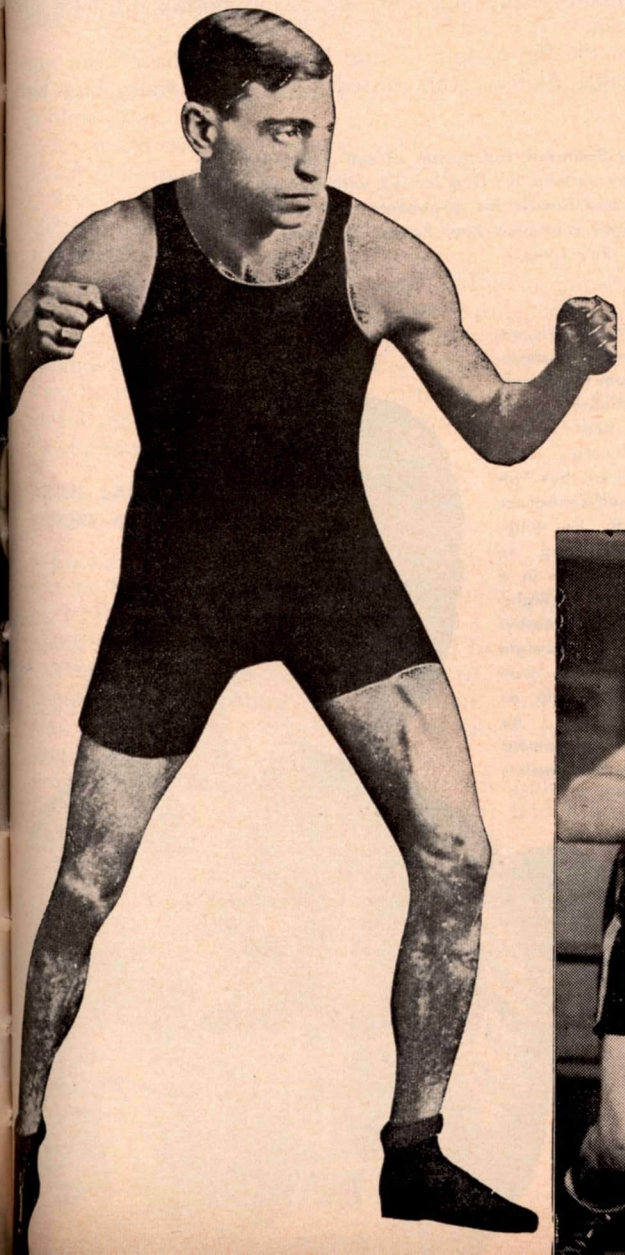
Unfortunately, cases like Cleroux's, McMurtry's and Harris' are all too infrequent these days.

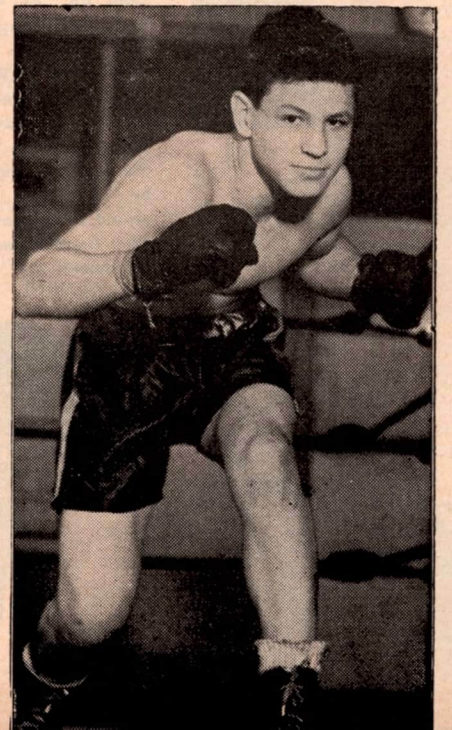
Skimpy, indeed, is the percentage of fighters endowed with the magic "golden touch." Probably not more than one in every hundred who start tossing gloves for a living reach what could be called a "state of affluence" in the profession.

Every boy who plays baseball doesn't become a major leaguer, and every kid who goes in for a ring career doesn't become a champion or a title contender. There's not much glory, or financial returns, for a fighter who isn't an outstanding performer; at least locally if not nationally. It's a tough, precarious existence for him if he hasn't the qualifications to rise much above preliminary status.

To make the situation even more lugubrious, there is little opportunity now for an ambitious young pug to learn his trade through experience. With so few fight arenas operating these days, it often means weeks, sometimes months, between bouts.

At the peak of boxing's popularity in the United States, from the early '20s to the late 40's, there probably were 400 clubs staging weekly or semi-monthly cards. An ambitious youngster had ample opportunity to learn and improve and, if he had the necessary talents, become a popular attraction.





(Left)—An early New York box-office asset, lightweight Leach Cross, who attributed his "popularity" to fans who came out to see him get "killed."
(Below)—Art Aragon, one of the biggest money-makers in California ring history, drew nearly $1,500,000 in 42 main events for Promoter Cal Eaton in Los Angeles.

At this writing, there probably aren't more than two dozen, if that many, arenas promoting on regular schedules throughout the nation. It's seldom you hear of any fight cards in such once-flourishing communities as Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Buffalo, Detroit, Minneapolis, St. Louis and Kansas City, to list only some of the many.

New York and its metropolitan area, long the most industrious fistic center in the world, has been hit particularly hard. Time was when, within a radius of twenty-five miles of Times Square, a dozen or more fight cards were offered every week. Today the only arenas available for boxing are the St. Nicholas, with weekly shows, and Madison Square Garden, with a now-and-then schedule.

The decline of the sock market can be attributed to a combination of causes, the main one being national television, which has stifled the activities of former prosperous fight centers and discouraged youngsters from trying their luck in the ring.

Another contributing factor is this age of inflation, with its distorted sense of values. When an inexperienced office boy can demand, and usually get, as much in weekly wages as his dad used to earn as a skilled mechanic, there isn't much chance of arousing his interest in an uncertain boxing career.

The Irish, the Jews and the Ital-

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CONFIDENCE MISLEADING?

By LESTER BROMBERG
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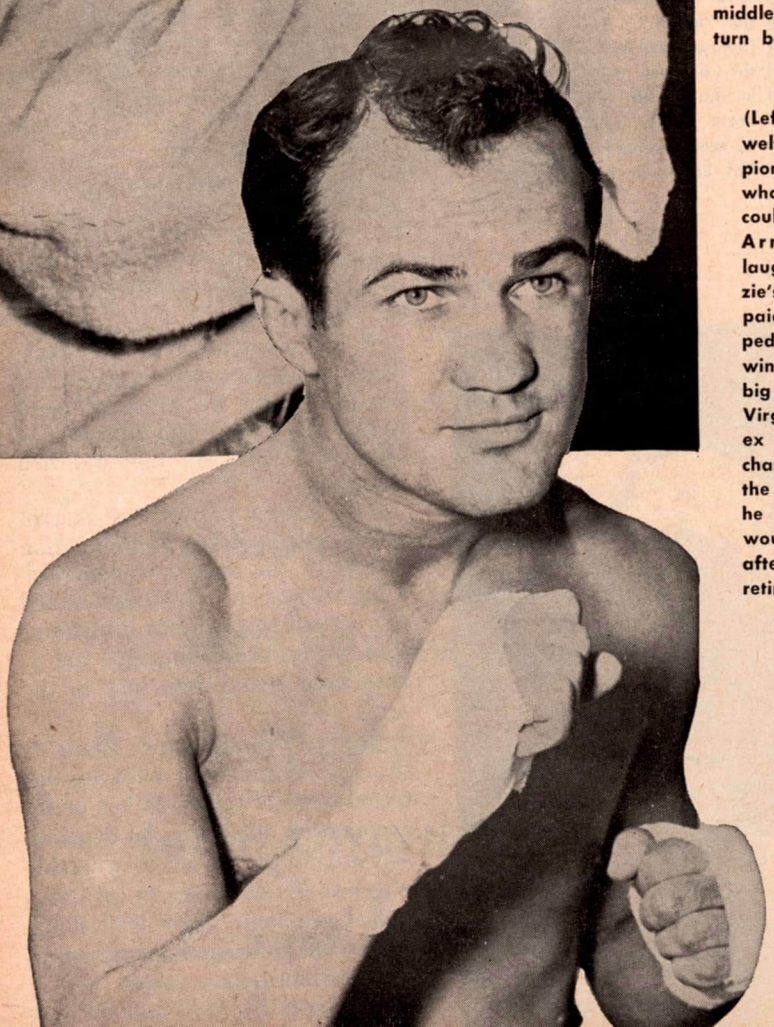
THREE stand-bys happily trudged through the entranc gate to TWA's Los Angeles-St. Louis flight early o the night of December 5, 1958. Seats had opened u when reservations under the name of 'V. Akins and tw were not used.

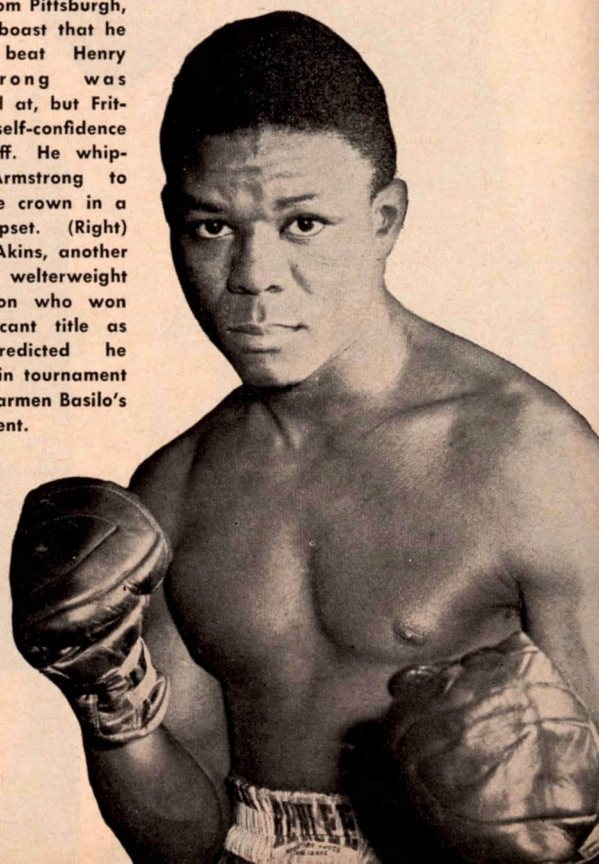
They—Virgil Akins and handlers—had been so sure the then welterweight champion's ability to knock o challenger Don Jordan that evening in L. A., that they obtained seats for a quick getaway to hometown St. Lou

As the records confirm, Akins not only didn't end it a hurry—the bout going the 15 rounds—but he turned a shoddy fight and lost his championship to local-bo Jordan.

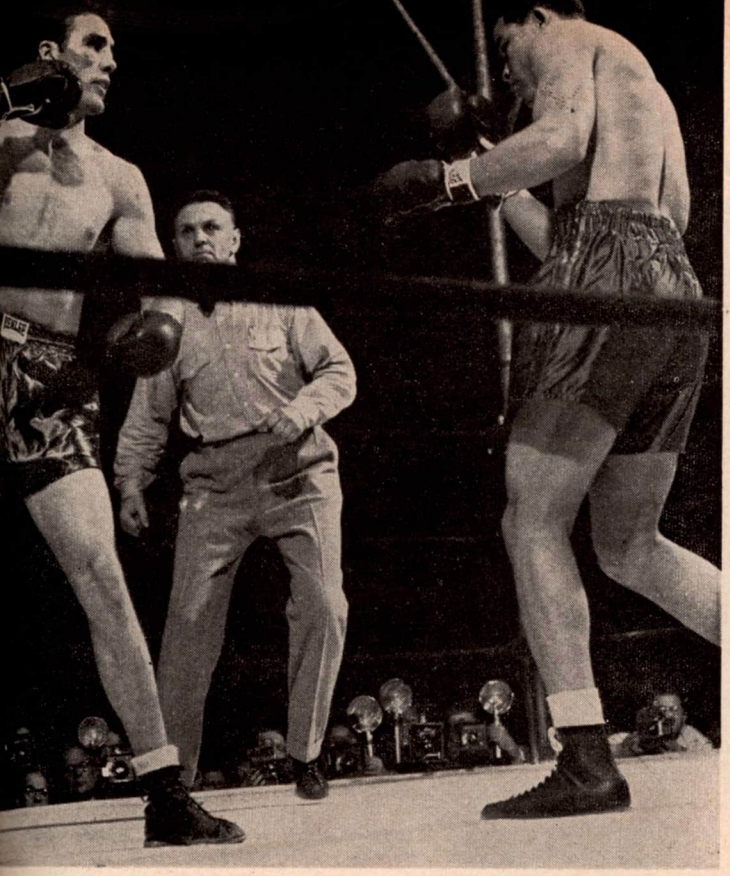
In the big picture of ring history there have been inn merable Akinses who missed their plane, train, bus, bo

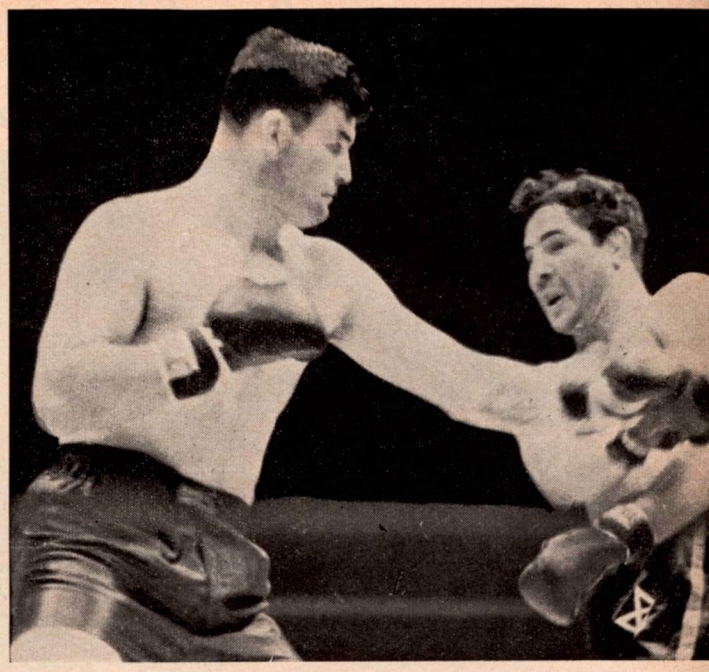
Sugar Ray Robinson, the master of self-confidence, Ray has always entered the ring loaded with the assurance that he could handle his opponents and to-date only middleweight champion Paul Pender has been able to turn back Ray twice.





(Left) Fritzie Zivic, ex-welterweight champion from Pittsburgh, whose boast that he could beat Henry Armstrong was laughed at, but Fritzie's self-confidence paid off. He whipped Armstrong to win the crown in a big upset. (Right) Virgil Akins, another ex - welterweight champion who won the vacant title as he predicted he would in tournament after Carmen Basilo's retirement.





(Left) Cocky Billy Conn, stalks Joe Louis in their 1941 bout. Too much self-confidence cost Billy the title. Trying to knockout Joe he runs into a kayo himself. (Above) Max Baer (right) smiles as he brushes away a lead by James J. Braddock in their 1935 title bout. Baer, a big favorite, posed and clowned his way through the 15 rounds and ended up losing his title. Once again too much ego proved disastrous.

or horse-and-buggy because a sense of swagger led them up a blind alley.

Even a fireside psychologist will tell you that confidence, like fire, is an excellent servant but a poor master.

Subordinated to condition, knowledge of the opponent, etc., self-belief makes a trusty ally. When it is in catbird seat, one's judgement and good sense go awry.

This infection bestows its deadly kiss with impartiality. The selfsame Jordan, who might have learned a lesson from Akins, didn't. Within a year Don's cocky view of the world around him had reduced his effectiveness by 50 per cent. Five months after that, he was virtually at trail's end, following his surrender of the championship to Benny (Kid) Paret from Cuba.

AKINS LABORED MANY YEARS BEFORE GAINING RECOGNITION

Looking back at Akins, it isn't difficult to understand why he had established residence on Cloud Nine, although his legal address in St. Louis then, was a $50,000 home to which he'd moved when things headed his way.

Virgil had labored for nearly 10 years in the hard-buck league without scenting due recognition. And it was due him . . . always a good puncher, his failing had been an inability to click in limelighted spots.

Then, late in 1957, welterweight champion Carmen Basilio gave up the title to go after Sugar Ray Robinson's middleweight championship. Promoters everywhere scrambled to set up matches to determine a successor.

In Boston Sam Silverman was working to rebuild Tony DeMarco, a former titleholder whose glamor had been reflected in two unforgettable battles with Basilio. Silverman saw Akins as the foil for heavy-fisted Tony and convinced the Massachusetts boxing commission to grant sanction. "World's title in Massachusetts" was the billing.

There was the expected display of gloved dynamite, but by Akins instead of DeMarco, and Virgil acquired the ersatz crown on a 14th round knockout. Within three months they fought again and once more Akins got in the decisive licks for a KO, in the 12th round.

By this time a more inclusive championship elimination was in progress, involving Isaac Logart of Cuba and Vince Martinez of Paterson, N. J., and Akins. In a drawing for the semi-final, conducted at the offices of Ring Magazine, Akins and Logart were matched, the winner to fight Martinez.

As in the first fight with DeMarco, betting was against Virgil. Logart's cleverness and steadiness had made him an undisputable experts' choice. But the rocket impact in Akins' fists cold-conked Logart in the sixth round—and now he had registered three straight KOs in as many crucial starts.

Akins' bombing run mounted to four when he belabored a helpless Martinez for a fourth-round KO which accorded him universal recognition as champion. And, in a subsequent over-the-weight bout, he stopped Tombstone Smith in the 10th and last round.

So, in his mind, what did it matter if he then was beaten on a Minneapolis' non-title decision by that city's Del Flanagan? He was the champ, the boss when the chips were down.

To Akins, the hazards of taking his title to Jordan's backyard were minor and, in a prefight interview, he had sounded off with kingly disdain.

"There isn't a welterweight around who can stay with me," he said. *"I'm the champion because I'm the best . . . I'm no second Kid Gavilan or Ray Robinson, I'm the first Virgil Akins. That's enough."*

Of course, it wasn't. Jordan deflated him humiliatingly. In another Jordan title fight the next spring in St. Louis the dice rolled against him another time.

At this writing, Akins is still trouping, grabbing matches where he can and against whom he can. But his confidence is a thing of the past, self-sacrificed on the altar of vanity when it could have been a useful continuing asset.

However, there have been instances of fighters who overcame its effects and lifted themselves to re-acceptance.

Certainly there was no more brightly illuminated example than that afforded by Floyd Patterson in his first and second

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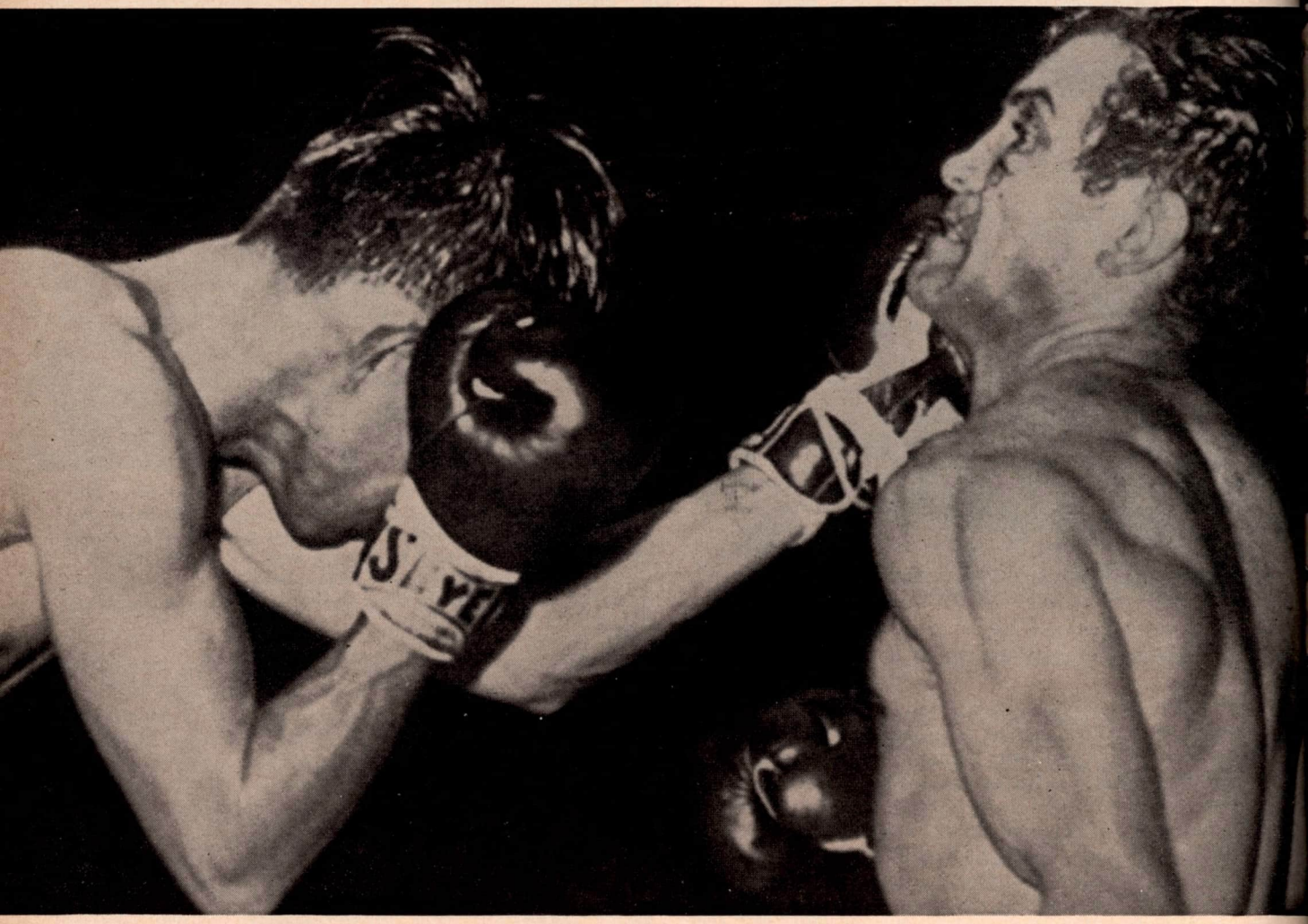
Pone Kingpetch proves previous victory over Perez was no Christmas gift by stopping Pascual in eighth round.



The champion cuts loose with a barrage in the eighth round and lands a left to the jaw that sent Perez reeling. A few more and the world flyweight championship fight was over.

THAI LAD TRUE CHAMP

By NAT FLEISCHER

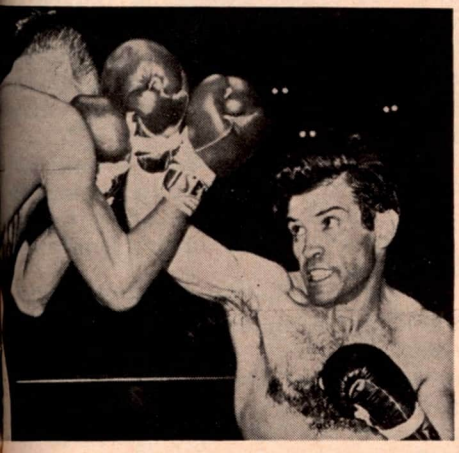
HAVING complied with the terms for his return bout with an eighth round knockout victory over Pascual Perez in the Olympic Auditorium of Los Angeles, Pone Kingpetch, rangy Thailand flyweight, now seeks bigger game. Not in the least perturbed by the failure of the American fight fans to support his bout with the Argentinian as his people did in Bangkok when he won the crown from Perez, Pone returned to his native land happy at the thought he proved to the cynics that his triumph in his native land was no fluke nor an early Christmas gift.

Though more than 50,000 persons saw him crowned king of the flyweight division in Bangkok, among them the King and Queen, only 5100 persons were lured into the California arena and the gate amounted to only $14,200.

The slender, lanky champion, a 5 to 6 favorite at ringtime, looked the part of a true champion as he ripped his opponent apart with a vicious body attack that made it unnecessary for the judges to decide a winner as was the case in Bangkok when he won the crown by a split decision on my vote. This time, he put an end to the championship career of one of the outstanding flyweights of all time, the referee intervening, calling a halt in 2.32 of the eighth, at a time when the Thai boy was pounding away and Perez was helpless.

Though he can easily make the flyweight limit—he weighed 111½ to Perez's 110½, the rangy Thailander's wealthy manager, Thong Thos, owner of one of the largest chemical laboratories in Asia, is prepared to send Pone against the leading bantams after one more flyweight title defense, this time against Mitsuharu Seki, in Tokyo next April. Minutes after Mushy Callahan stopped

Referee Mushy Callahan takes Pascual Perez back to his corner after stopping the fight in 2.32 of the eighth round when the Argentinian was unable to defend himself and Kingpetch was awarded a knockout victory.



Above:—Perez, right, goes all out in opening round in attempt to score kayo . . .
Below:—California Boxing Commissioner Clayton Frye checks the scale as flyweight champion Pone Kingpetch of Thailand weighs in for title bout in Los Angeles. Thailander proved himself by battering chunky rival into submission in eight rounds. Left to right—Clayton Frye, Al Silvani, trainer; Nat Fleischer, Pone Kingpetch, and George Parnassus, Matchmaker.

the fight and awarded the decision to Kingpetch on a knockout according to the California rules, Kingpetch was offered $42,500 by Promoter Takashi Tsukahara, member of the Japanese Parliament, and Pone's manager accepted. In between, Kingpetch will engage in one or two overweight matches in Thailand to keep in condition.

Although Perez received $45,000 for defending his title against Kenji Yonekura in Tokyo, $50,000 for his fight with Sadao Yoita and $42,500 for the Bangkok bout in which he lost his crown, he and Pone received only $2,900 each for their Los Angeles bout. Quite a change from the time when flyweights were the rage in America with such stars as Fidel La Barba, Frankie Genaro, Johnny Buff, Corporal Izzy Schwartz, Pancho Villa and Midget Wolgast among many others.

Hampered by cuts above and below the left eye and on his cheek, Pascual missed often. His reflexes were slow and his speed was far below par.

The fighting spirit he had placed on display in Thailand was missing in the return bout. Aside from a fairly even opening round and an advantage he gained in the third, he was outgamed and outpunched in the other rounds. Under the new five-points system, Referee Mushy Callahan had Pone ahead 9 points to 2, Judge Tommy Hart, 5 to 2 and Judge Lee Grossman, 6 to 2. My tally was the same as that of Grossman.

It was a sad finish for Perez who, prior to losing the crown had defended it twelve times in various parts of the world and set a record for purses for his division. The craggy-faced Argentinian, confident he could regain the throne, was a bewildered little battler as he faced the reporters in his dressing room. Asked about his future, he replied through his interpreter:

"I'm thirty-five years old. I was the best flyweight since Jimmy Wilde. I defended my title a dozen times. In Bangkok, when I lost the title, I felt that I didn't have enough time to train properly and, frankly, I didn't think I had to do much training to beat Pone. But I was mistaken then and again now.

"He is a good, sharp jabber and he has an excellent right hook. Those hooks to my body weakened me and proved to me that it's time for me to quit. I want a few weeks rest before I definitely decide. Koci, who has had charge of my affairs for many years, wants me to quit, but I think I can do well as a bantam and may decide to fight in that class."

It was clearly evident after the third round that Perez wouldn't go the limit, as he did in Bangkok. He went all out in the opening round trying for a quick knockout, and again in the third, his best round, but he quickly shot his bolt. Pone met his rushes with beautiful straight lefts to the face and quickly snapped rights to the body in following up his advantage.

The Thai lad gave a far better performance in the return contest than he did in Bangkok. Pone was aided in his training by Al Silvani, one-time trainer of Tami Mauriello, and it was on the advice of Silvani that, starting the fourth, the Thailander ripped strength-sapping right handers to Perez's mid-section. They weakened the Argentinian to such extent that when the seventh round got under way, Pascual had slowed down almost to a walk.

The Asian's offense took Perez by surprise. Whereas in their Bangkok fight, Pone kept on the retreat in most of the early rounds but effectively jabbed away to halt Perez's rushes, this time Pone made a fight of it from the start. He drove home beautiful uppercuts, landed his left with accuracy to the face and took all the fight out of his opponent with flashing right smashes to the belly. Watching Kingpetch's performance, one would never have guessed that he learned his boxing in Asia instead of in America. His every move was that of an experienced American battler.

For Kingpetch it was his first title defense. There were no knockdowns in the abbreviated battle but Pone's body attack had taken such a toll of Perez's health that Referee Callahan decided it best to call a halt. Apparently Perez was content to call it a day. Aside from raising his hand in the air in a farewell fashion, he made no protest, walked slowly to his corner, crestfallen that he had failed to regain the throne.

When Callahan wrapped his arms about Perez's body halting the fight, his action caught the champion's corner by surprise. Pone's seconds didn't realize that the fight had ended and kept looking at each other while Kingpetch stood in the ring, somewhat bewildered. Al Silvani then leaped into the ring and motioned the others to follow. It took some gesturing but they finally realized what had happened and triumphantly led Pone to his corner.

Perez was a fiery little demon in the opening round. He came bouncing out of his corner leaping from side to side, tossing punches from all angles. But his opponent was equal to the occasion. Every time a Perez punch flew past him, Pone quickly countered with a perfect body blow. For three rounds this style milling was followed. Then came the break.

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Not All Fighters End Up Broke

By TED CARROLL

THE recent passing of Luis Angel Firpo provided a revelation which brought an amazed reaction throughout the world. The one time "Wild Bull of the Pampas" left an estate estimated at five million dollars.

The public, more familiar with such unfortunate circumstances surrounding a fighter's passing as those attending the untimely demise of Tony Canzoneri who had nothing left of the fortune he earned in the ring, found Firpo's huge wealth a real shocker.

Firpo's affluence had its roots in the canny conclusion that the money he made while fighting was meant for saving and not for spending, unlike too many of his less farsighted fellow fighters. Firpo's philosophy made his frugality legendary among boxing people. But the same ones who waxed sarcastic about his death grip on a dime back in his fighting days, later on were among the first to single him out as a "smart fella" who saved his dough.

Although he did not give that impression, in general appearance, he had a business acumen second to none. This showed up early in his career when he tied up the pictures of one of his early fights and peddled them in the Argentine at an enormous profit. This same sagacity marked his commercial manipulations following his ring career. Although the perfect picture of the shaggy-haired lumbering yokel, completely out of place in the cutthroat competition of modern business, Firpo possessed a guile in his dealings which was in strong contrast to his primitive methods of waging ring warfare.

Like Sugar Ray Robinson, Gene Tunney, Jake La Motta, Ingemar Johansson and other strong-willed money-conscious personalities, the manager's conventional one-third cut of his purses caused Firpo considerable pain, and he took early steps to eliminate this—to him—exorbitant stipend. Consequently he escaped to South America with the major part of his large U. S. earnings, outmaneuvering any stateside sharpies who had designs on his hard earned dollars.

Firpo's case reinforces the fact that public opinion notwithstanding, not all fighters are pigeons asking to be plucked when they venture into the high flying—and phenagling—world of business. The classic case here of course, is Gene Tunney, who not only made his boxing career pay off in a manner unheard of before or since, but added to his fortune as the years went by to earn a current rating of millionaire. Tunney's importance in the world of finance has reached a point where his support was recently sought in a proxy fight for control of the Alleghany Corporation, a holding company which controls N. Y. Central Railroad and Investors Diversified Services. Since the opposition to Tunney's group is spearheaded by the multimillioned Murchison Texas oil interest, it is apparent Gene has reached main bout status in the Wall St. arena by facing such contention.

In a sense, rating even more credit than Firpo or Tunney, since his ring earnings were minuscule compared to theirs, Sam Mossberg, former Olympic lightweight champion, is probably the outstanding example of a fighter who, engaging a business career, gained wealth. The popular Brooklynite, still a familiar figure on the New York fight scene, recently returned from the Rome Olympics, where he renewed acquaintances with one-time Olympians, dating back to 1920, the year Mossberg won the international title.

Since disposing of his large holdings for a reputed million dollars, Mossberg has been more-or-less in retirement. But becoming restless under inactivity, like a fighter on the comeback trail, he has become interested in a super-market venture in upstate New York. If his past experience is any criterion, this promotion is slated for the success which has marked Sam Mossberg's commercial efforts up to now.

The current condition of most of our former heavyweight champions happily isn't that of the stereotyped tough-time-making-ends-meet ex-fighter. Besides Tunney, Jack Sharkey is well off. He lives a pleasant existence as a country squire in a New England suburb. Between refereeing stints and Outdoor Show fishing and casting exhibitions throughout the country, he keeps active and adds to his fortune.

Dempsey is considered wealthy. Carnera, on the strength of his boxing reputation, cleaned up as a wrestler, and is well paid for supporting roles as the "Giant" in various movie spectacles.

Marciano, according to ex-manager Al Weill—who should know—is well fixed despite a few business reverses since quitting the ring.

Poor Max Baer, cut down untimely, left his family well provided for with lush annuities.

Old Jim Jeffries was well-to-do at the time of his death due to real estate holdings in Burbank, Cal., where he had lived for many years.

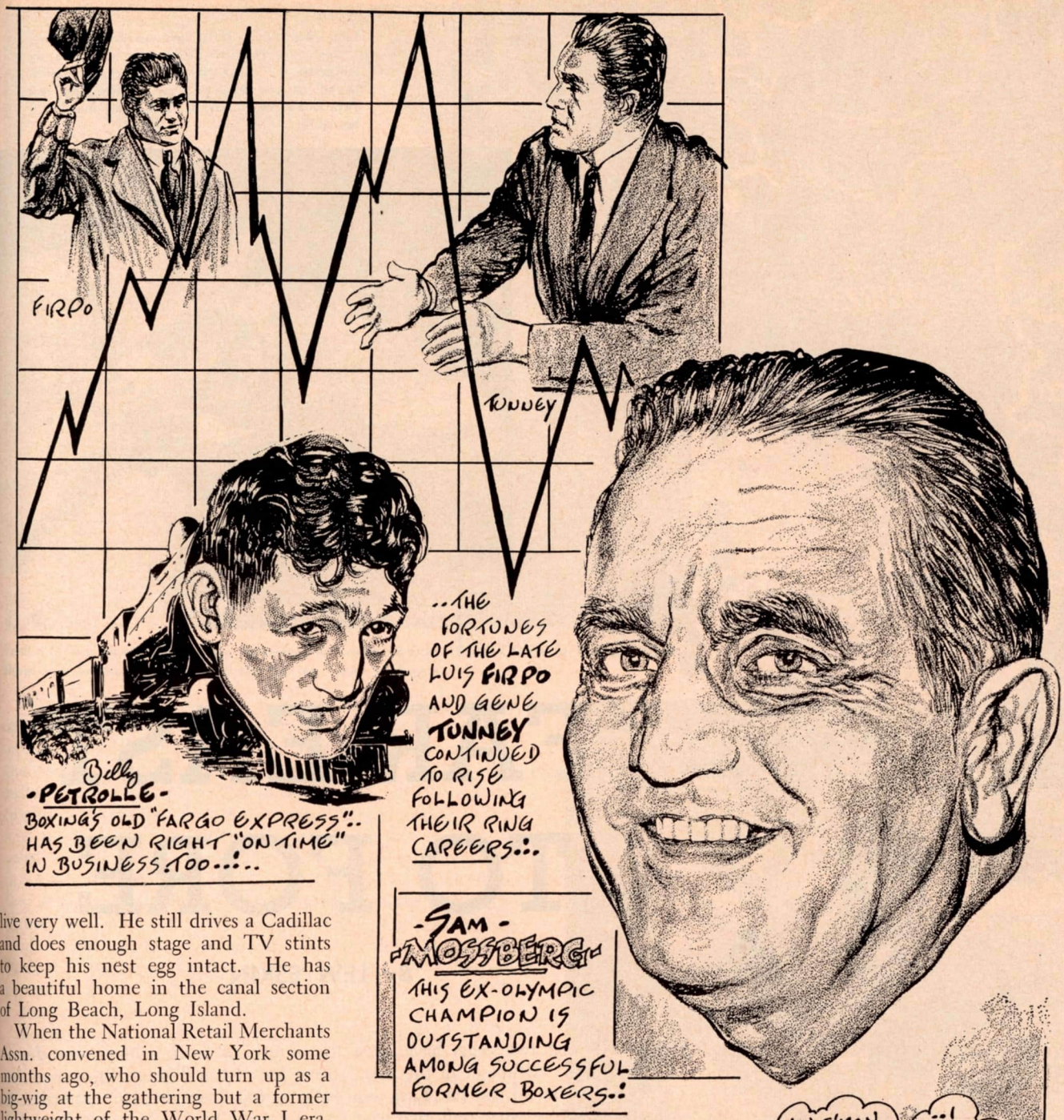
Another famed heavyweight of bygone years, Harry Wills, went to glory, leaving behind property probated at more than $100,000. Harry was one of the few Negro fighters to live his retired years in affluence.

Jimmy McLarnin, probably the best managed fighter in ring history, has no worries. To his own assets, which are considerable, were added a $200,000 inheritance from Pop Foster, his old manager. Pop did not allow a feud which had alienated the two for some years, to corrupt his concern for the future of McLarnin's family whom he made the recipients of his bequest.

Billy Petrolle is reputedly one of the wealthiest of the ex-mittmen due to the success of various enterprises in Duluth, Minn., notably an iron foundry. Manager Jack Hurley did an excellent job of shepherding the earnings of the old Fargo Express.

For years the New York Yankees Baseball Club has been pressuring Jake LaMotta to sell them property belonging to him adjacent to Yankee Stadium. From last reports Jake still has the land, which speaks well for his financial position, since he could hardly sustain so independent an attitude without being substantially solvent.

LaMotta's old pen pal and playmate, Rocky Graziano, is another of the rough and ready school who apparently is doing quite well, thank you. Rocky made a great deal of money in his explosive career and despite a naive free-handedness to pals and admirers, retained enough of it to



live very well. He still drives a Cadillac and does enough stage and TV stints to keep his nest egg intact. He has a beautiful home in the canal section of Long Beach, Long Island.

When the National Retail Merchants Assn. convened in New York some months ago, who should turn up as a big-wig at the gathering but a former lightweight of the World War I era, Al Thompson of Cincinnati. Following his discharge from the U. S. Marines in 1919, Thompson combined a ring career with a college education, gaining a business degree while still boxing. To-day he functions as executive vice president of a chain of Virginia department stores and president of the N.R.M.A. which embraces more than 11,000 member stores throughout the U. S. A., doing annual business of $2,000,000,000.

The first lightheavyweight champion Jack Root, a fine figure of a man at the great age of eighty-four still retains much of the vigor and mental spryness which made him a conspicuous success in a variety of business enterprises following his ring career which ended more than a half century ago. As a show business and real estate entrepreneur, Root now in retirement, who spends much of his time traveling, proved as capable in business as he had been in the ring.

One of boxing's all-time greats, dazzling Packey McFarland, was just as clever a businessman as he was a boxer. Packey was only 26 when he quit the rugged profession to invest his earnings in a varied assortment of profitable business ventures in Illinois, among them a bank, a brewery and real estate.

Few men are in better position to discourse on monied fighters and those who should have money—but don't—than trainer Whitey Bimstein, himself well-off, after a lifetime of working with most of the noted boxers of the past four decades.

"The fellows you mention as doing well," begins Whitey, *"aren't always the ones who made the most money. They're simply the ones who realized that it wasn't going to last forever and*

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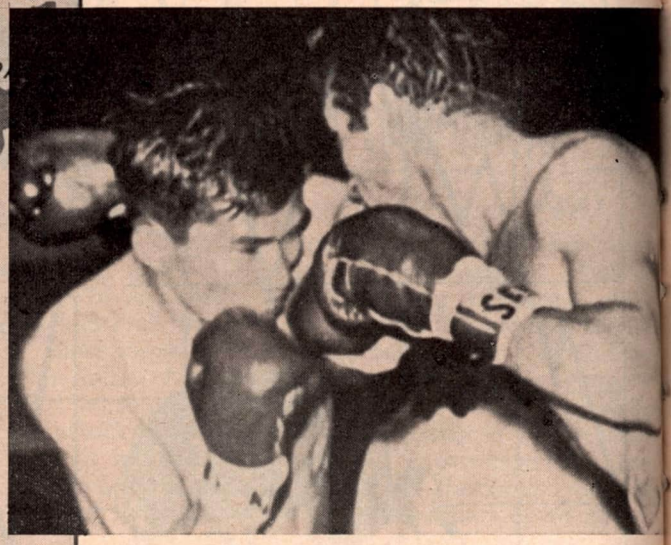
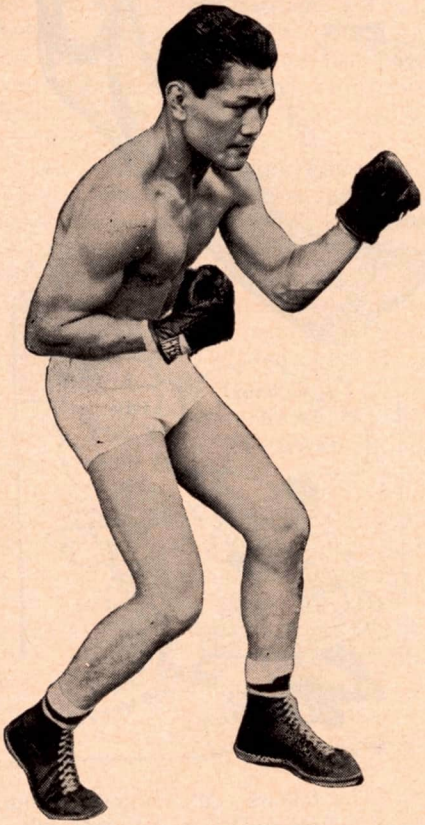


Pone Kingpetch (left) proved his win last spring over Pascual Perez was no fluke by stopping the Argentine gamecock in eighth round at Los Angeles last month. The tall Thai boxer impressed U. S. boxing men with his ability.

FAR EAST TO FORE

By LEW ESKIN



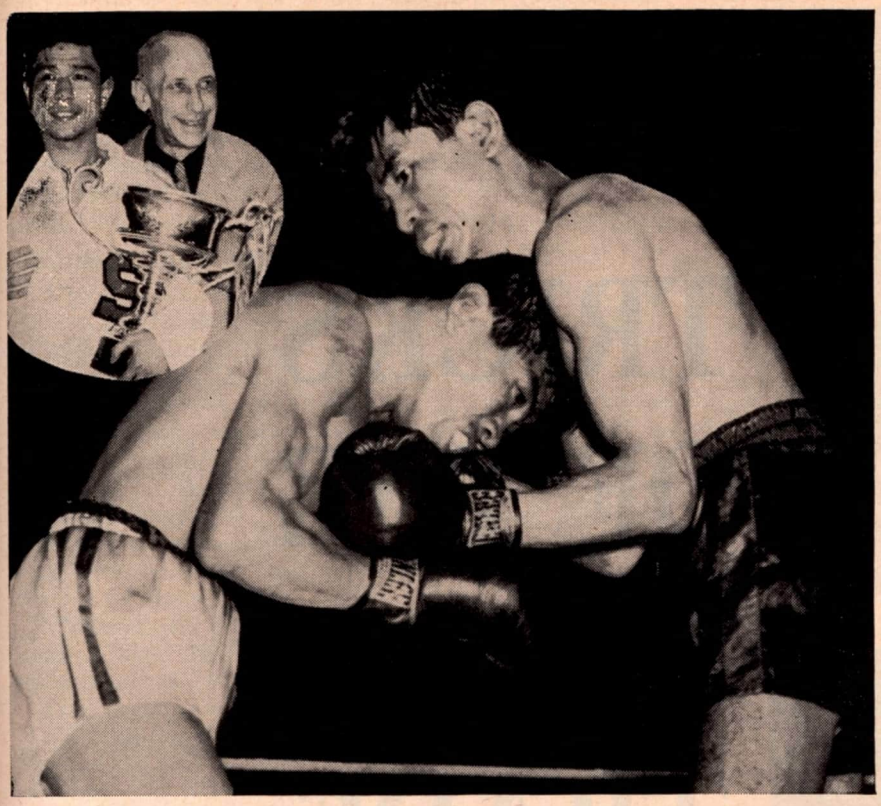
Ceferino Garcia, popular bolo-punching Filipino who was the top "big-man" to come from the Orient. Garcia who twice challenged for the welterweight title held the N. Y. version of the middleweight title in 1940.

THE last two years have been the zenith of fistic achievement for the Orient. Although in the past, a long list of top flight fighting men have come out of the Far East, especially in the flyweight, bantamweight and featherweight classes, only two were able to win a world championship. Each was a flyweight—the immortal Pancho Villa of the Philippines, who kayoed Jimmy Wilde in 1923 and Japan's Yoshio Shirai who defeated Dado Marino nineteen years later.

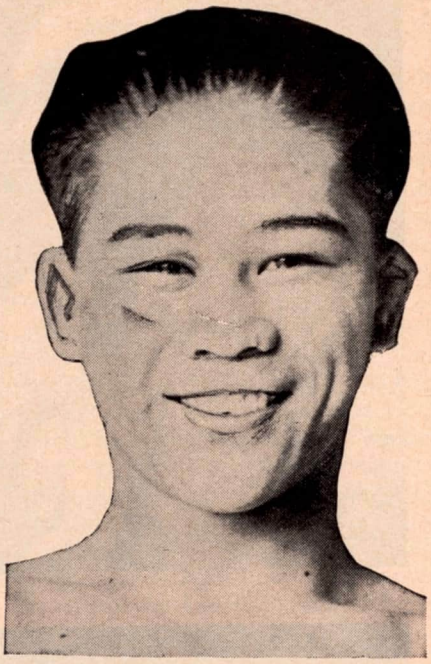
Two others from the Philippines, Ceferino Garcia and Small Montana had claims to partial championships, Garcia being recognized by New York as middleweight kingpin after he kayoed Fred Apostoli in October, 1939. He lost it to Ken Overlin a year later. Montana, a flyweight, was American champion from 1936 when he defeated Midget Wolgast, until he was kayoed by Jackie Jurich four years later and for a time laid claim to the world title but his claim was unrecognized.

Aside from this quartet, only five other Oriental boxers ever earned chances at world titles and four were from the Philippines—Leo Espinosa, Tanny Campo, Dommy Ursua and Flash Elorde. The other was Chamrern Songkitrat of Thailand.

As you can see by the names, all boxed within the past decade. Garcia, who before growing into a middleweight had two chances at the welterweight crown, losing a fifteen round decision first to Barney Ross on the Carnival of Champions in the Polo Grounds on September 23, 1937, then to Henry Armstrong on November 25, 1938, in Madison Square Garden. From Garcia until Shirai, there were no Oriental fighters cast in the role of challengers.



Yoshie Shirai (right) successfully defended his crown against Tanny Campo in Tokyo in 1958. Shirai rise to the throne started the boxing boom in Japan.



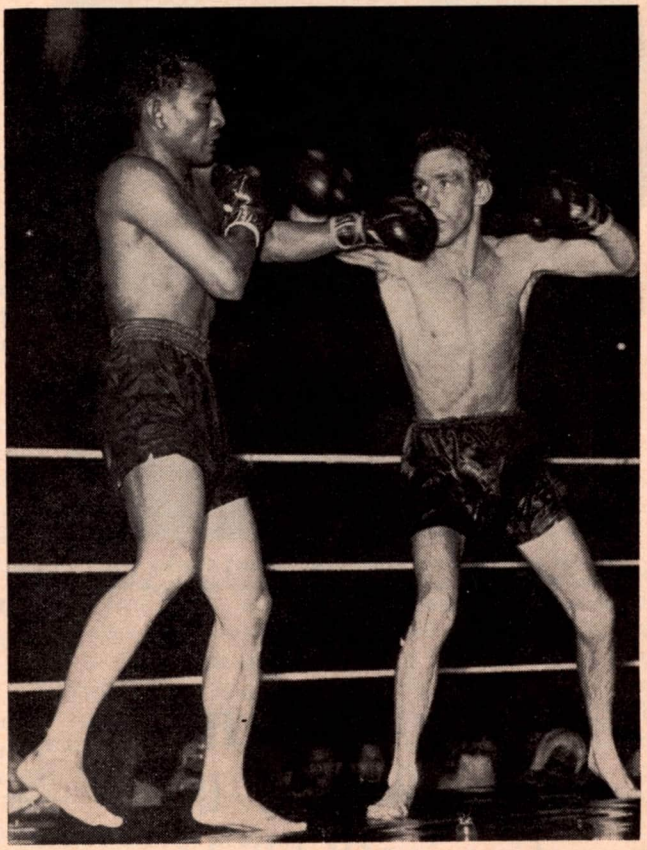
The great Pancho Villa, Filipino idol who was the first of his race to win a world's title when he kayoed Jimmy Wilde in 1923. Villa's tragic death at twenty-four while still in his prime cut short a phenomenal career.

With Yoshio winning the flyweight title, boxing picked up in Japan. But it was not until the past twenty-four months that the Japanese were able to produce another challenger. Champion Shirai put his crown on the line against Tanny Campo in Tokyo on May 18, 1953, with the titleholder winning the verdict after fifteen rounds. But four months later, in a non-title match, he was stopped in seven rounds by Espinosa. Then when they were matched in a title bout on May 24, 1954 in Tokyo, Leo entered the ring as the favorite, but Yoshio, making the fight of his life, turned back his challenger, winning the verdict after fifteen hard fought rounds. Six months later he lost his title to Pascual Perez on a decision and on May 30, 1955, he was kayoed by Perez in the fifth round and retired. Today he is a prosperous businessman.

Espinosa was Perez's next title foe. He traveled all the way to Buenos Aires to lose a 15-round decision to the champion on January 11, 1956. Two months later, in Mexico City, Leo was stopped in the tenth round by Raul Macias for the National Boxing Association's bantamweight crown.

Songkitrat, who popularized "Western Style" boxing in Thailand, had three chances to become a world champion. His first opportunity came in Bangkok on May 2, 1954, when he lost a close 12-round decision to Australia's Jimmy Carruthers in the "Battle of the Typhoon." Four months later, following Carruthers' retirement, the Thailander was paired with Robert Cohen of French-Algeria for the vacant title. The bout also was held in Bangkok and Songkitrat again lost, this time in 15 rounds. On March 9, 1955, in San Francisco, Chamrern was pitted against Macias in a bout for the N.B.A. version of the crown, and was stopped in the eleventh round.

Ursua had two chances to acquire a championship. On June 15, 1957, in San Francisco, he suffered the identical fate of Songkitrat when he was stopped by Macias in eleven rounds. On December 15, 1958, he started the current rise of Far East challengers when he surprised by staying the 15-round limit with Pascual Perez in Manila for the world flyweight title.



Chamrern Songkitrat (left) and Jimmy Carruthers clashed in Bangkok in the first championship fight held in south east Asia. While Songkitrat never gained a title he paved the way for Kingpetch's road to the crown.

Elorde gained a ten-round decision over featherweight champion Sandy Saddler in a non-title bout in Manila on July 20, 1955, and was rewarded with a title bout the following January 18 in San Francisco. He was a trouble-

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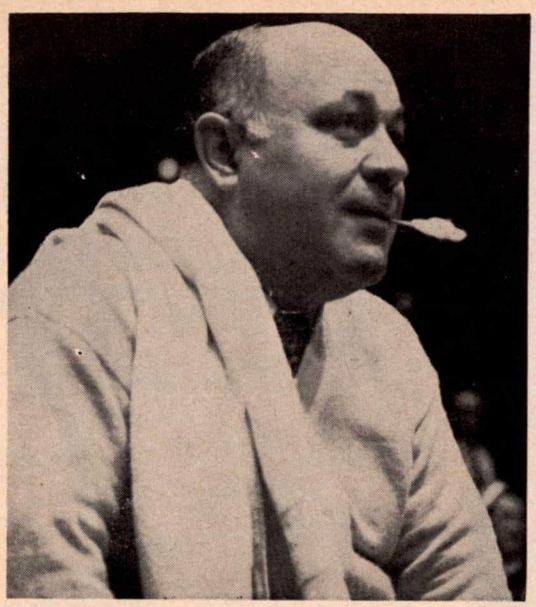

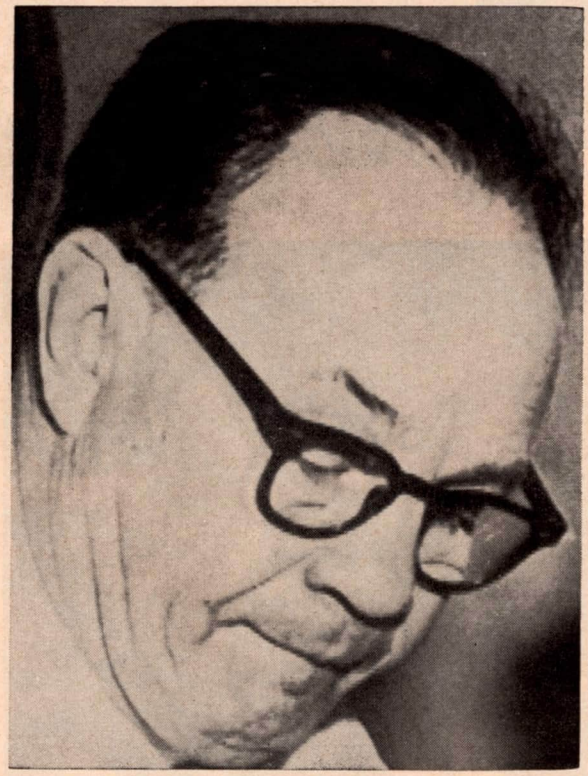

Top of page:—Jimmy August and (below) Charley Goldman, a couple of trainers whose ingenuity has kept them in constant demand as seconds.

TRICKS OF THE FISTIC TRADE

Many A Fight Has Been Won By the Cunning Of A Fighter's Second Or Manager

By **FRED EISENSTADT**

THE general public seems prone to regard managers and trainers of today as rough, tough, crude, unimaginative men who speak ungrammatically from the corner of their mouths while puffing on a cigar. This probably was true among the old timers of pre-commission days, but a majority of fight managers, seconds and trainers of this era as a rule are surprisingly shrewd and in numerous cases amazingly inventive.

To hear them bring up reasons why their proteges put on dull fights, or lose decisions, or suffer knockouts, makes one wonder why such people chose handling boxers instead of writing scenarios; for those fellows can invent the most fantastic excuses imaginable.

By making use of their wits, these men have at times managed to beguile a scrapper who is losing to come through a winner; or create a victory when a loss was in the offing. Such doings takes brains, quick thinking, ingenuity.

FRANKIE JACOBS USED NOODLE

Such a man is Frankie Jacobs, who became a fight manager while still in short pants—over 45 years ago. Frankie has the cunning of a fox, and it has paid off. One June 6, 1939, Jackie Kid Berg—whom Jacobs was managing—was fighting Tippy Larkin in the latter's hometown, Garfield, N. J. Larkin—a tall, classy boxer—was doing well at jabbing, moving, hooking, etc. The famed Whitechapple Windmill, on the other hand, was waging his usual battle: throwing punches in windmill style. It was a good fight, and though Jacobs felt sure his man had won, he feared a "home decision" might be rendered.

Before Jackie left his corner in the tenth and final round, Foxy Frankie told his charge: *"Yidl, get out there and give it all you got. When the fight ends, go over to the referee and raise his right hand. Understand?"*

Berg looked at his manager in puzzled fashion. *"Blime, Jay, I cawn't say that I do,"* he muttered. *"I believe it's the blighter's place to life MY 'and, not for me to 'oist 'is."*

"Just do as I said," directed Frankie as the gong sounded. The British boxer obeyed. He fought for all he was worth. So did Larkin. When hostilities ended, Berg strode over to where referee Gene Roman was standing (boxing judges are not used in New Jersey), took his right hand and raised it. The astonished arbiter, in some bewilderment, automatically removed his wrist from Jackie's gloved grip, took the boxer's hand and held it aloft—thus signifying him as being the winner. Frankie's strategy had worked.

GOLDMAN PULLED SMART TRICK

A great bantamweight in his time, Charley Goldman, who trained and handled over a thousand fighters—a half-dozen of them champions—was seconding heavyweight Walter Hafer against Jo Weidin, a protege of Jack Dempsey, in Cincinnati, on Oct. 18, 1948. Though Hafer was skillful, he was a "losing" fighter, but Goldman was determined to bring in a winner. Early in the bout, however, Charley observed that Walter's heart was not in the fight—which made his chances of scoring a victory a remote possibility.

By the time the sixth round rolled around Hafer had been dropped twice and, as Goldman tells it, appeared anxious for the referee to stop the contest.

"What're you tryin' to do," demanded the pint-sized trainer, *"blow the fight? Now get in there, Walter, and throw punches."*

The seventh was no better than the other rounds. *"Look,"* muttered Charley, *"you gotta win this fight, see? Not only is your wife and mother in the arena, watchin' you, but your hillbilly friends who put a wad on you to win. So you see, you simply gotta grab the duke."*

Goldman's words failed to improve Hafer's lackadaisical efforts. He still fought timidly—as if seeking an easy way out of the battle. Then, by a stroke of luck—whether by fist or head was not certain—Weidin's face was cut. This gave Charley an idea that turned a loss into victory. Quickly he dispatched a guy with a message for Hafer's friends.

When the fighter shambled to his corner and dropped onto his seat, Goldman whispered earnestly, *"Walter, I'm gonna tell you somethin' I didn't feel I had a right to reveal to you. Now I feel I gotta tell you—an' it's this: your manager wired me before the fight that he bet the entire purse that you'd win. Blow the duke an' you lose his dough as well as your own. Now listen: when you go out for the ninth, reopen Weidin's cut and smear his face with his own blood."* Hafer nodded as the gong sounded and moved toward his rival with some determination.

He jabbed and hooked Weidin till gore began oozing from Jo's wound. In a clinch he smeared the fellow's face so that it appeared that Jo's entire countenance was bleeding. And now Hafer's followers set up a chorus—yelling, *"Stop the fight, referee! Stop it!"*

"I ain't sure exactly what prompted the timid fighter to do as I instructed," confided Goldman. *"Maybe he didn't wanna be shamed in the presence of his wife an' mother. Maybe he feared his hillbilly friends. Could be he was anxious to save his manager's and his own bankroll, which —in truth—was entirely safe. Anyway, my scheming brought home the bacon. Because the yelling of "Stop the fight!" influenced the referee to do exactly that.*

"And let me add this," finished Charley. *"Dempsey congratulated me for pulling the blood-smearing gag in order to win. But his partner, Max Waxman, was so burnt up he wouldn't talk to me for months."*

AUGUST WAS KEEN IN JULY

It was during the sunset of his career, on July 1, 1949, that ex-lightweight champ Lew Jenkins met a virtually unknown ringman named Beppe Colasante at the Long Beach, L. I., stadium—with Jimmy August handling the Italian. Aware that Jenkins was a "sneak puncher"—and a deadly hitter in the bargain—Jimmy warned his charge, saying, *"stay in close and don't give Lew room to tee off on you, otherwise—washed-up as he is—he'll knock you cold. Remember: stay in close and punish him around the body."*

Colasante followed instructions. This disconcerted Lew, not only because it gave him no room to deliver his powerhouse punch but also he found that body punishment was to him now vastly annoying. In desperation he contrived a way of getting Beppe out of clinches. The canny Lew would mutter, *"Break,"* whenever he desired the Italian to be at "punching distance" from him—and on several occasions came close to maneuvering Colasante into position, and almost put him to sleep.

August repeated his warning as the battle progressed, saying, *"Don't break when Jenkins says so, Beppe. Only on order of the referee, otherwise Lew'll knock you cold. Do as I tell you and you'll win."*

Beppe obeyed. Thus, frustrated, Jenkins got another idea; rather, he improved the first one. And the improvision nearly spelled doom for Colasante. Lew would tap the Italian on the back and from the side of his mouth mutter, in changed tones, *"Break."* This trick almost worked, but Colasante managed to keep from being kayoed.

After appraising his charge of Lew's cunning scheme,

Irving Cohen, whose shrewd piloting of Graziano and Billy Graham combined the manipulations of "horse sense" with his own brand of psychology.

and warning him to be careful, August told the referee: *"Look, Jenkins is making a chump out of you—pulling that hokus of imitating you whenever he wants fighting room to deliver his right. The fans are laughing at you."*

Catching Lew employing the ruse, the referee warned him against it. That frustrated the ex-champ, with the result that he lost his temper and cussed out the arbiter. This so infuriated the latter that at the end of the contest—which was fairly close—he declared Beppe the winner.

COHEN'S CLEVER SCHEME

Neither Rocky Graziano nor Charley Fusari ever entertained the idea of fighting each other. They were close friends, each feeling a warm, fraternal affection for the other. The New Jersey welterweight idolized Graziano. And the New York 160-pounder liked having Fusari—a pleasant chap—in his company as much as possible. And so, when Rocky chose the Nevelle Country Club, in Ellen-

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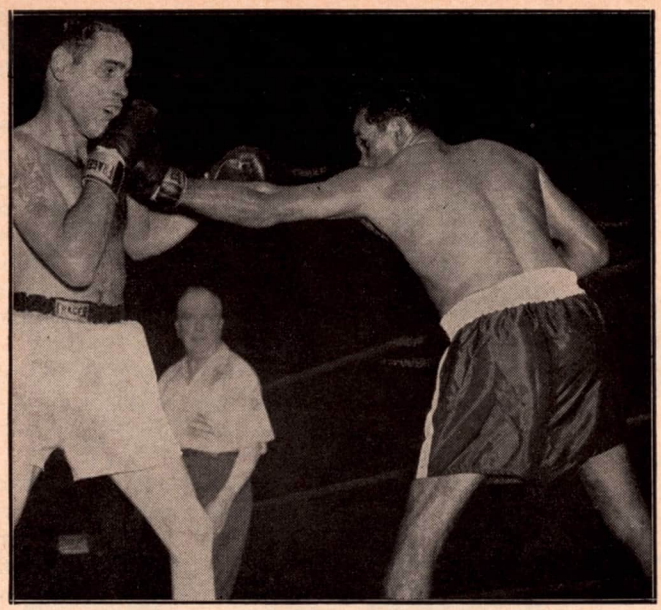
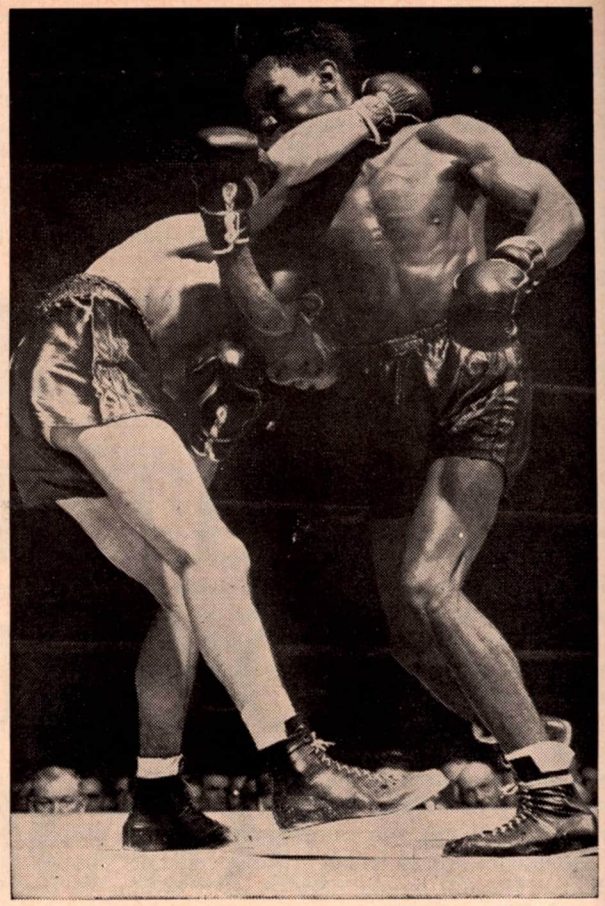


Carl (Bobo) Olson takes a left from Australia's Dave Sands during their Chicago bout on the Wednesday night series that was the first televised coast to coast bout on October 3, 1951.



Willie Pep (left) and Chalky Wright mix it up during their world featherweight title bout in Madison Square Garden on Friday, Sept. 29, 1944. This was the first in the long series of Friday night fights that recently ended.

The End of an Era . . .

By AL BUCK
THE NEW YORK POST

BOXING has come to the end of an era, battered but not beaten; groggy yet still on its feet. During the past decade the "fight game" has been dominated by the magic lantern known as television. Most of this has been "free," or as it is called, "home TV."

What then does the future offer? What challenge does the ancient sport now face? Before speculating on coming events, it is wise to examine the past.

In the last 10 years crowds have all but vanished from the arenas. We are told that during that period more people saw boxing bouts than ever before, that the TV audiences could be counted in the millions. The change has been drastic, and certainly not for the better. The small clubs have all but vanished, and promoters from coast-to-coast have been forced to the wall.

Yet where there were four network shows at one time, there is now only one. Where did it start? Where did it end?

It started before James D. Norris took control of Madison Square Garden. It ended only recently when Norris, in Chicago, announced his retirement from boxing.

The "Wednesday Night Fights" have gone off the air. So have the "Friday Night Fights." All that remains is a new series, the "Saturday Night Fights" on the ABC TV network.

The Garden has broken with the tradition that made Friday night "fight night" in New York City. Truly we stand at the dawn of a new era.

MIKE JACOBS STARTED IT

The late Mike Jacobs signed the first TV contract. As far back as 1938 he experimented with the new medium when Lou Nova boxed Max Baer at the Yankee Stadium. The telecast was carried only to a truck outside the park.

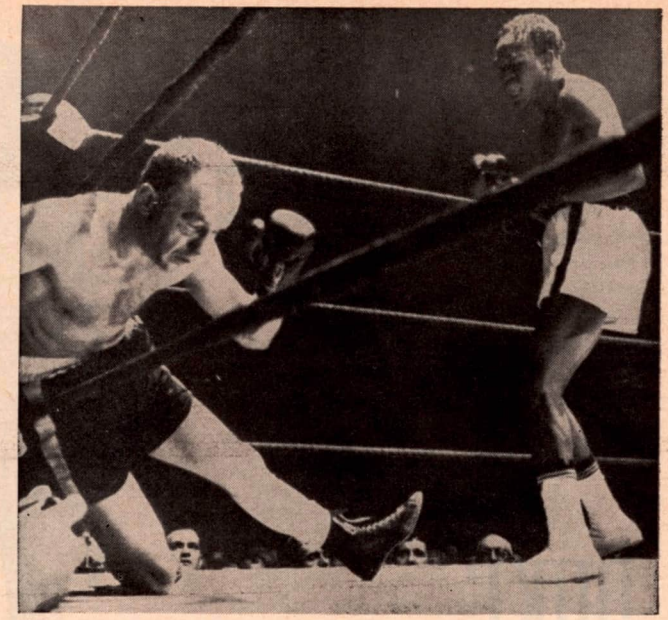
The Nova-Baer return bout at the Garden two years later was also an experiment in TV, but it wasn't until 1944 that Uncle Mike signed a commercial contract with the Gillette Safety Razor Co. The deal covered the Chalky Wright-Willie Pep world featherweight championship bout and the next 50 shows at the Garden.

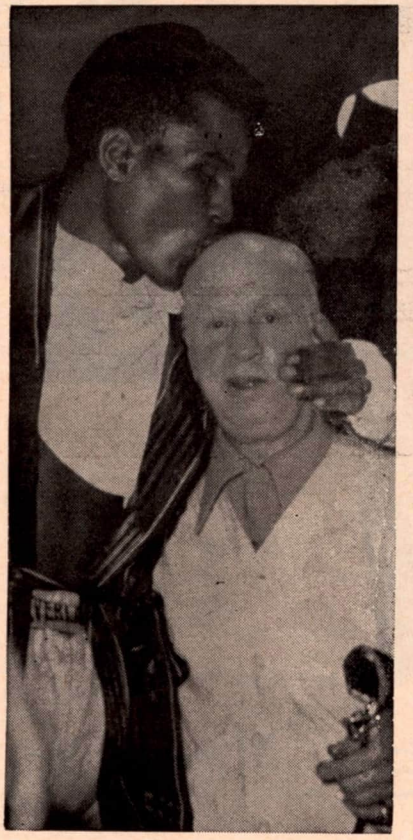
The general public didn't get TV until after World War II, and it wasn't until 1949 that Norris purchased the ailing Jacobs' interest in the Garden. By then the St. Nicholas Arena, Ridgewood Grove, the Jamaica Arena and the Westchester County Center were telecasting fights through local outlets.

Norris first purchased the competing Tournament of Champions. Then, with Al Weill as his matchmaker, he created the monopoly that existed until Judge Sylvester J. Ryan ruled it violated the U. S. anti-trust laws. It was Weill who showed Jim how it could be done, and to the weekly Friday night show on NBC TV was added a Wednesday night show on CBS TV. Eastern Parkway Arena was then telecasting on the Du Pont network, while Ray Arcel was operating on ABC TV.

Eventually the cards were shuffled. Eastern Parkway dumped Du Pont, which set up its cameras in the St. Nick,

The end of TV's Glamour Bay, Chuck Davey. The Michigan southpaw hits the deck one of the many times he was floored by Kid Gavilan in a fight for the "Hawks" 147 pound title. Davey was the idol of the TV viewers who could not believe their eyes when he was knocked out by Gavilan.





Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson, kisses trainer Whitey Bimstein after one of his victories scored at the Eastern Parkway Arena in Brooklyn, N. Y. It was on this Monday night TV series that Jackson leaped into the limelight and the hearts of the fans.

and shifted to ABC TV. When CBS dropped boxing, Norris moved his Wednesday night fights to ABC, and soon both Eastern Parkway and Arcel were out of business.

The monopoly was now complete. Fighters and their managers had only Norris to deal with. Other promoters could not compete. The small clubs, where boxing talent had been developed down through the years, went out of business.

Little by little the talent has been used up, but a lot happened before the present day crisis developed.

FIRST COAST-TO-COAST TV

The first of the "Wednesday Night Fights" paired Dave Sands, the Australian, with Bobo Olson. The date was October 3, 1951, and the scene was set in Chicago. This was the first coast-to-coast telecast, and Sands was the winner.

Less than a month later Jimmy Carter successfully defended the world lightweight title against Art Aragon at Los Angeles. This was the first fight telecast from the West to the East Coast, and was viewed in New York with wonder.

What followed was amazing, at least to veteran boxing managers and promoters. Chuck Davey, a southpaw, who had boxed at Michigan State, was given a build up via video. Through careful matchmaking, he became a favorite with parlor experts, especially in the middle west. The stage was set for a killing. It took place at the Chicago Stadium with surrounding area blacked out for 100 miles.

Davey was presented as a serious challenger for the welterweight championship. His opponent was Kid Gavilan, the champ. Gavilan won of course. The knockout came in the 10th round. There were 17,450 fans in the Stadium, and the gross gate was $274,451.

By then Olson was middleweight king, and what followed was a battle of champions with Gavilan as the challenger. Again there was a black out, and while the rest of the country watched on TV, Olson and his Cuban opponent attracter 18,562 "live" fans, and drew $334,730.

RAY AND ROCKY IN SELL-OUT

Another big one at the Chicago Stadium was Sugar Ray Robinson defending the middleweight crown against Rocky Graziano, a former champion. Rocky had Sugar Ray on the canvas, but Robinson got up to win in the third round. This one drew a capacity crowd of 20,008, in fact the promoters were fined for over crowding. The gate was $252,237.

One of the major events at the Chicago Stadium was the Robinson-Jake LaMotta fight. Robinson was relinquishing the welterweight crown to fight Jake for the 160-pound title. It was one of Sugar Ray's better performances, but LaMotta was tough, and this time he was trying. He lasted until the 13th round. The take was $186,866 paid by 14,902 customers.

What made the "Wednesday Night Fights" attractive to promoter and fighter alike was the video sponsor would permit a black out. Gillette, sponsor of the "Friday Night Fights" refused to black out the New York market. As a result, few major fights were seen at the Garden, and the weekly gatherings became so small the management stopped announcing the attendance figures.

The "Wednesday Night Fights" moved about the country, but were based mainly at Chicago. Norris owns the Chicago Stadium, and there was no need to cut in another promoter, as had to be done in other places. In Los Angeles for example, Alphonse Halimi and Raton Macias, fighting for the bantamweight title, took in $215,047.

Joe Brown defending the lightweight title in bouts with Ralph Dupas, Kenny Lane and Johnny Busso in Houston, drew big gates. These fights were on the Wednesday night TV network.

Brown also figured in an international telecast—from Havana to the U. S.—knocking out Orlando Echevarria in a round. The revolution was on then, and on the night of the fight, a Havana bank was robbed. Brown wasn't taking any chances on being snatched by Castro. He finished off Echevarria in a hurry and caught the midnight plane to Miami.

FIRST TV FROM CANADA TO U. S.

While the Brown-Echevarria fracas was non-title, Archie Moore had the world light-heavyweight championship on

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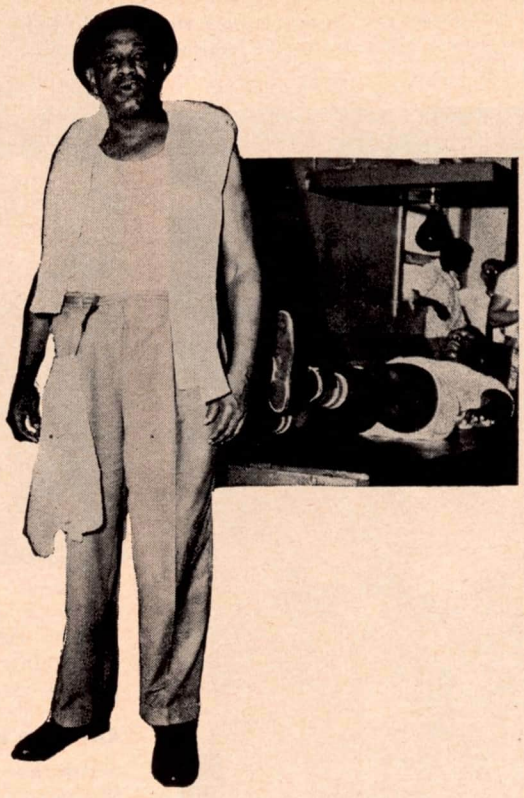

His hat tilted back on his head, cigar in corner of his mouth, shirt off and towel tossed over his shoulder, Duke Halloway is the perfect concept of what a trainer looked like in the old days.

By NAT FLEISCHER

DUKE HALLOWAY

Prototype of the Old Days

DURING a recent visit to Los Angeles to attend the Pone Kingpetch-Pascual Perez world flyweight championship fight, George Parnassus, Suey Welch and several other old timers accompanied me to the Main Street gymnasium to watch a large group do their stunts during training periods.

"We want you to see a few of the old time trainers who still pursue their trade despite the shortage of talent. There is one in particular you must interview," said Suey who has been in the game as manager and promoter for many years and is well fortified financially through successful business ventures.

"How often have you watched television shows depicting phoney fixed fights in which the manager enters the dressing room with his mobsters, gives his instructions to the fighter who is ordered to take a dive and then sits at the ringside with derby hat, chewing at a cigar tipped at an angle and his doll sitting at his side," asked Welch. "You look at the picture and think how phoney this is. The days when such managers or trainers existed, has long passed.

"Well you're going to see a real oldtimer in the gym this morning, who looks like the picture trainer but is a real trainer of the manly art. You've seen him before when he was a fighter, but I doubt you've watched him give instructions to the boys whom he now trains—some of them, top ringmen", added Parnassus, and Don Fraser, his publicity aide, nodded assent.

"I'll bring him over for an interview," said Don as we entered the gym.

I thought my eyes deceived me as I watched a huge, brawny six footer, minus coat, a clean towel tossed over his shoulders, an immaculately clean sweat shirt, covering his chest, brown derby hat covering his bald head and a cigar resting in the corner of his mouth. He was chewing away at it a la Al Weill, ex-manager of Rocky Marciano. So busily engaged was he, that he pleaded to have the interview wait until after the training session was over.

"You see, he said, I've got four boys here who are going to fight this week and they come first. That one, there," he said, as he pointed to a lanky young Negro boy, "is a graduate from the amateurs and I think he will make the grade. I like the way he works but he doesn't use his left properly and that's what I must teach him to do", he continued while eyeing him tossing lefts at the big bag.

We waited as the trainer finished his work with one boy then took over the next.

Finally the training was over and we were now free to get the interview.

"Duke Halloway is the name," said the trainer as he took his seat next to me in the gymnasium stands.

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**WILLIAM T. GALLAGHER
WASHINGTON, D. C.**

In a dispute between my brother and me, we found that we couldn't settle the matter as to when the neutral corner rule went into effect. My brother says it became a national rule after the Tunney-Dempsey fight and that it started then. Is that so? We leave it to you.

A—*No. The neutral corner rule was in effect long before that but was seldom enforced. It was incorporated in the Walker Law in 1920 and prior to that many national referees refused to pick up a count until the man who had scored a knockdown went to the farthest corner from the fallen fighter.*

However, after the 1927 fight, all states where boxing is legal, introduced the rule and made it mandatory for a fighter to go to the neutral corner pointed out to him by the referee before the referee could pick up the count of the knockdown timer. If the fighter didn't obey as in Dempsey's case, the referee began the count all over again after the fighter did obey.

DARWIN NELSON, CEDAR CITY, UTAH

Q—Did Sonny Liston and Floyd Patterson ever fight?

A—*No.*

MICHAEL PETERSON, HOUSTON, TEXAS

Q—Does a promoter have the right to name the referee and judges for a fight?

A—*No. That is taken care of by the commission where the fight is staged. In Europe, when a title bout is scheduled, the European Boxing Union names the referee. In U.S. the state athletic commission elects the officials.*

SARAH McNULTY, ORANGE, NEW JERSEY

Q—Are women wrestlers permitted to appear on wrestling cards in the United States?

A—*Only in a few states. In New York, for example, the law prohibits their appearance. There are only about half a dozen places where they can compete. The same holds for boxing.*

MIKE CALLOZZA, ELIZABETH, N. J.

Q—Can a middleweight fight for the world heavyweight title?

A—*That depends. Many commissions have a limit to the weight difference. Thus if a middleweight scaled 161 pounds he would not be permitted to fight in the heavyweight class against an opponent weighing 20 pounds more than he does. The limit is 10 pounds. But we have had many middleweights in past years who fought heavyweights as for example, Mickey Walker who fought Schmeling and Sharkey, Arthur De Kuh, King Levinsky and Paulino Uzcudun among others.*

FRANK MARTIN, NEW YORK CITY

Q—Could the referee who officiated in the Cohen-Kerwin fight in the Garden recently have disqualified Kerwin when he refused to go to a neutral corner after dropping Cohen?

A—*Yes. Kerwin should have been disqualified for fighting the official off when the referee tried to get him to go to a corner. Such action by a boxer warrants a stiff penalty.*

ALAN STUART, LONG BEACH, CAL.

Q—Does the National Boxing Association select the opponent of a champion when a title bout is arranged?

A—*No. The promoter does that. Often the N.B.A. and other boxing organizations list the man they think should be the challenger, but in the end, the promoter makes his choice with the aid of the title holder who has the final say.*

In Europe and in the Orient, however, the procedure is much better. There a champion must face the challenger chosen by the Federation or forfeit his crown.

MARTIN HELSMITH, PORTLAND, OREGON

Q—Was Jimmy Slattery knocked out by James J. Braddock?

A—*Yes. They fought in New York March 11, 1929 and Slattery was stopped in the ninth round.*

HARLAN McCORMICK, BOSTON, MASS.

Q—Has Pascual Perez retired?

A—*No. He is still good enough to whip most of the boys of his division. When he was stopped by Pone Kingpetch, he declared that he will continue to box, but would probably add weight and take on bantams instead of making weight as a flyweight. When he fought Pone in Bangkok, he scaled 112 but for his fight in Los Angeles, he weighed only 110½ and was weak and drawn.*

FRANK SUTTLEWORTH, MIAMI, FLA.

Q—Is there anything new in the latest edition of Training for Boxers?

A—*Yes, many new photos, several new chapters and the book has been brought up-to-date.*

ELMER JONES, NORFOLK, VA.

Q—Does one have to sign with a manager if he wants to fight as a professional?

A—*No. But it is best in the long run to have some one represent you.*

GEO. DEFENDES, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL

Q—I often get pains in the groin and in the lower part of my body when I do my road work? Should I continue?

A—*That's something your doctor must answer. See him and find out what ails you. Perhaps you have a rupture. At any rate, don't continue without consulting your physician.*

AL SIMMONS, EICHITA, KANSAS

Q—I am a young amateur boxer who likes to make use of weights in my training. I have been using 20-pound weights as part of my lifting exercise but find after working with them that when I punch the light and heavy bag. I get severe pains in my wrist. What would be the cause of this?

A—*I think you are using weights that are too heavy for you. Why not stop weight lifting in training, temporarily and see whether the pains continue. If they do, then see your doctor.*

BRIGGS TRITTMAN, CHICAGO, ILL.

Q—How many times did Ray Robinson and Jake La Motta fight? What were the results? Did Robinson hold two titles when he fought Joey Maxim? Did Robinson fight Kid Gavilan? If so, how many times? Is there any book in which I can find this information?

A—*Robinson and La Motta fought five times. October 2, 1942, Jake lost in ten; February 5, 1943, Robinson lost in ten; February 26, 1943, Robinson won in ten; September 26, 1945, La Motta lost in ten; February 14, 1951, Robinson knocked Jake out in the 13th round.*

Robinson held only one title when he fought Maxim.

Ray fought Gavilan September 23, 1948, non-title and won in ten. Then they fought in a title bout in Philadelphia, July 11, 1949, and Ray won in 15 rounds.

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HARRY STEINMAN, BROOKLYN, N. Y.

Q—There was a champion by the name of Abe Hicken whom you have listed as a lightweight king in the bare knuckle days. Where is he buried?

A—*In Australia. His fight with McGuire which took place on December 13, 1868, was billed as a title fight and he won the crown with a knockout in the fifth round.*

SAMUEL FRANKLIN, BALTIMORE, MD.

Q—Did Georges Carpentier ever whip Bombardier Billy Wells?

A—*Yes, June 1, 1913 and again on*

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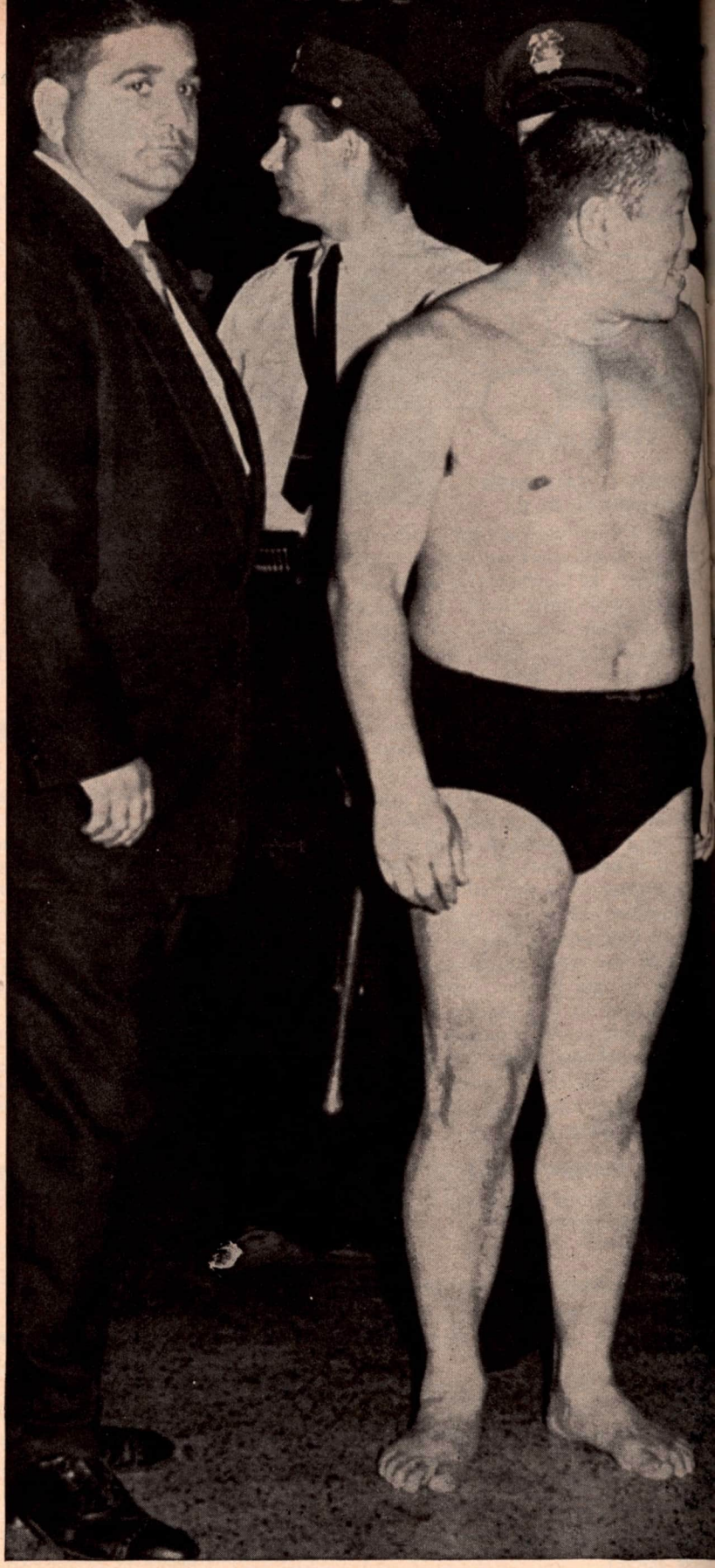
DUKE KEOMUKA

Story and Photos by
EARLE F. YETTER

Vicious, sadistic but crafty Oriental perpetrator of mat mayhem, has invaded the East after leaving a trail of broken and vanquished opponents in Hawaii, California and Texas. His Knock-Down and Drag-Out, Lay There and Bleed attacks have appalled hardened ringsiders beyond comparison.



Chief Marty Muscato and his two assistants stand guard over Keomuka while enroute to the dressing room. The Japanese is smiling at the plight of Dick Beyer whom he had bashed from post to post until he was a claret covered mess. Their meeting had been a real donnybrook with Beyer taking charge in the early minutes and the Japanese coming on strong toward the bouts end.

ONE of the most vicious, sadistic and calculating Oriental grapplers who has ever walked up the steps of an arena anywhere is Martin Hisao Tanaka, better known in the western and southern parts of the United States as Duke Keomuka. He has astounded Eastern fans by his ferocious and brutal attacks upon opponents, to leave them broken and bleeding and vanquished in the resin dust.

Born 34 years ago in Tokyo, Japan, Keomuka stands but 5 feet, 8 inches and weighs 220 pounds, but he is unbridled fury when the bell rings, and action gets under way. This newest Jap menace had what amounts to his amateur training in the Judo schools of Tokyo. There he studied Karate, and learned the secret of pressure upon the nerves of the body. He had his first Judo lesson when only 7 years old, and it must be said that he was apparently an apt pupil because today he is regarded as the greatest Judo jacket man in the U. S. This is indeed a tribute to Keomuka's ability, when you consider the calibre of other Oriental grapplers such as Kinji Shibuya, Kimon Kudo, Fujr, Oki Sikini, Mr. Moto, The Mighty Togos and Yamato.

Duke came from a large family of five brothers and three sisters. Early in his life the family moved to Kahala, Hawaii. He attended elementary school and obtained part of his high school education there. At school he indulged in American sports such as football and baseball and also enjoyed swimming and fishing. The latter two remain his hobbies today along with photography. On one fishing trip he brought home a 6 foot tarpon to amaze the natives.

As a youngster, he took Judo lessons four times a week, under the capable tutelage of Taro Miyaki, who had defeated Stanislaus Zbyszko and Joe Stecher in jacket matches. Duke also studied Sumo. He commented: "*Your folks send you to study not only for discipline but for mental and moral instruction. A Black Belt in Judo is like a letter in football or baseball. I used to work out in a gym with my fellows and American wrestlers. The late Joe Cox and Rudy Dusek were more or less responsible for my entering professional wrestling.*"

That was 19 years ago and since then Duke has wrestled in Hawaii, Canada, England, Texas, Chicago and the Mid-West circuit, and now he is on a rampaging campaign in New York and Ohio.

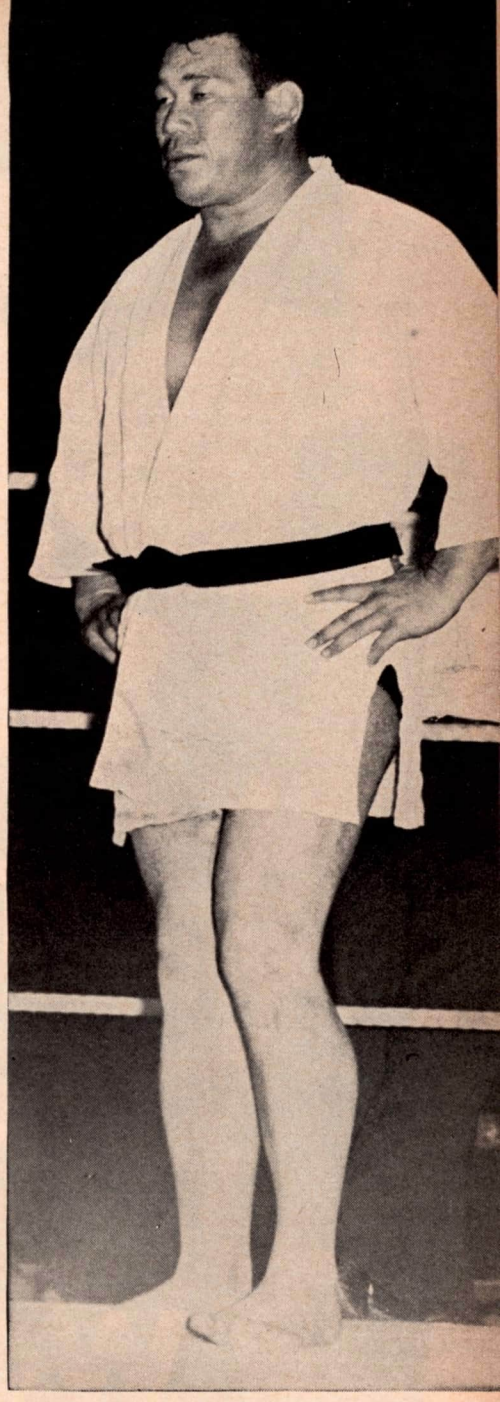
In his first action in Hawaii, he met such stars as Dean Delton, Gino Garabaldi and Tom Rice. He met the greatest stars in California, but in Texas, he put on some of the most memorable bouts of his mat career.

In 1945 he held the Ohio State Crown and in 1947 the light heavyweight crown. In 1948-1949 he took the junior heavyweight title in Hawaii. In Texas, he really came into his own as an outstanding performer and for a time he was the most despised wrestler in the Lone Star State. In spite of this, he became the Texas heavyweight champion on three occasions.

His first Texas match saw him oppose gigantic George Bollas, the Zebra Kid in Fort Worth. Bollas was a villain, but when Duke cut down the giant with a concentrated attack he was hailed as a hero. Three years later, the same fans were ready to toss him to the vultures, because successive matches saw Keomuka become the most hated wrestler who had ever appeared in Texas. His tussles with Danny McShain, Rito Romero and Pepper Gomez were mat classics. Blackie Guzman, talented Mexican, opposed Keomuka one night and sustained injuries at the hands of Keomuka which caused him to retire from the mat. Guzman almost lost his voice when he absorbed some of Keomuka's judo-chops.

Casting aside all opponents in single bouts, he became a tag team partner of Mr. Moto, who is his cousin, and Danny Savich. Some of the greatest tag team matches that the wild and woolly Texas fans ever saw had Keomuka as a star performer.

He was signed for a series of matches in New York and Ohio by Promoter Pedro Martinez. His first bout saw him actually cut down young Leon Smith of Cleveland in 1:10, in Buffalo, N. Y., with savage judo-chops and then he got vicious and applied a stomach-claw hold as a clincher.



Keomuka is crafty, skillful and deadly, with a fanatical ferocity that throws fear into opponents. His knowledge of Karate and Judo make him especially dangerous.

Dick Beyer, Buffalo heavyweight, saw that bout on television and challenged Keomuka on the spot. Beyer was so incensed over the way that Keomuka had handled young Smith that he was determined to settle the score with the Jap. Beyer was matched with Keomuka for the following week and more than 7,300 fans were on hand to witness the six bouts of the Martinez extravaganza.

Keomuka enters the ring with a stern look. He approaches Referee Pete Sacco for instructions. Beyer explains that if Keomuka uses any unfair advantage that he will answer with his fists. Instructions over, Beyer offers his hand, but Keomuka refuses to shake. Instead, he offers Beyer a smirk and lowers his head in a deep bow. The bell rings and the "grudge" match is on.

Beyer comes out quickly to meet the Jap and goes for Keomuka's legs, but Duke dodges the attack. Keomuka grasps Beyer and forces him to the ropes. Backing away slowly, with his hands behind him, Keomuka slides away. Beyer drops his guard for a moment and . . . SMACK, Keomuka slashes him across the throat with a judo-chop.

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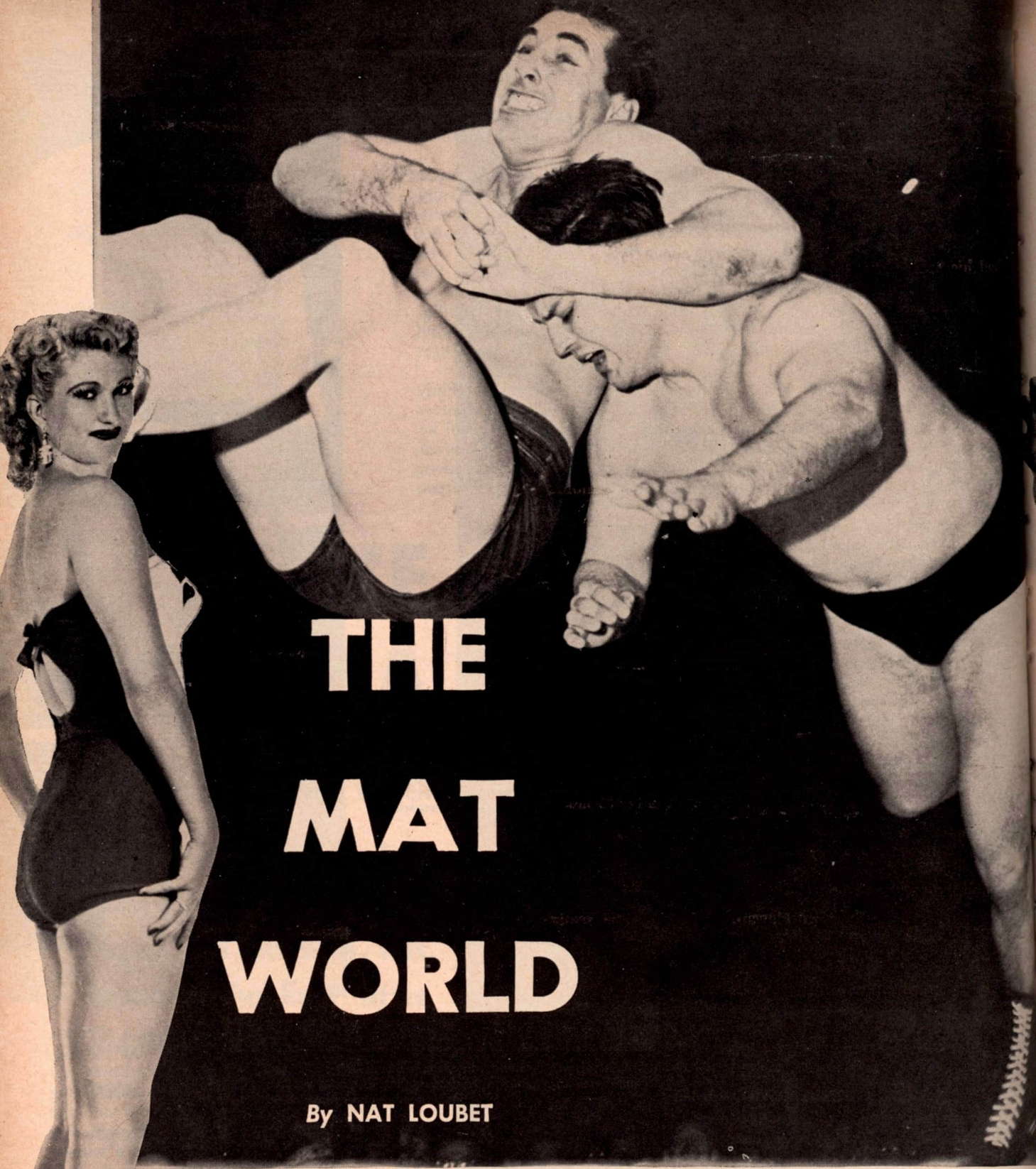


THE MAT WORLD

By NAT LOUBET

ON AND AROUND THE MAT WORLD

WRESTLING has several new "finds," one of which is an ex prizefighter, ex marine from Guadalljara, known to intimates as Chico Gomez, whose trade mark is a beard resembling the fuzz that Castro sports. Says Gomez: *"I should be a success. People say I look like that bomb* (bum) *Castro and don't you think people will come to see that bomb* (bum) *maybe get murdered, Senior?"* Chico has been in a circus so he knows what it is to be a freak.

Bearcat Wright is another of the newer heads to come along . . . and he's come along a long way . . . he, and Killer Kowalski, drew $89,000 at Chicago's Comiskey Park . . the Bearcat is a hot TV personality. Illio Di Apulo of Italy, son-in-law of the top promoter Pedro Martinez, takes time off from his success as a grappler to do a little bowling . . . they say he has a mean hook.

Pat O'Brien is a Canadian whose forte is a clever, fast attack, and a colorful bag of tricks that endear him to the fans. He is currently going over big in the Carolinas and Virginia territories.

BRUNO SAMMARTINO

Sammartino was born in Italy. Being a big boy, he was interested in feats of strength and wrestling. Later, he became active in the sport he loved and word of his ability as a grappler was yodeled along the Alps.

Then he decided it was time to become a professional. Bruno was six feet tall, weighed 260 pounds, was single and in addition to being able to wrestle, could lift 540 pounds over his head in a bench lift.

He was sure of one thing—that if he were to turn professional, big money and chances of hitting the top existed in the United States. Being a man of action, he put his theory to work. We next pick up our hero in Pittsburgh, Pa., where he was quickly signed up by Rudy Miller. He turned pro under Miller and has been steadily moving toward the top in America.

At twenty-three he has laid out a plan of action that includes retiring at thirty to open up a health studio. But

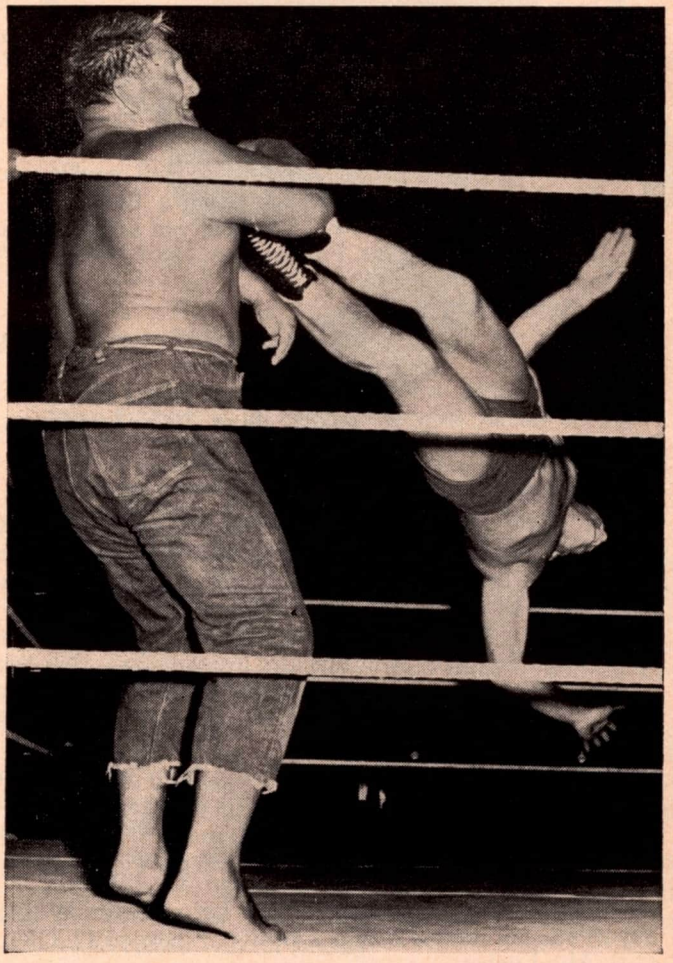
Wrestling around New York has an interesting war of factions going on. Vince McMahon heads one group with Generalissimo Walter Johnson, backed up by Uncle Charley, scoring for the opposition. Feuds never did anyone any good . . . the fans are only interested in getting to see their favorites and who provides them is immaterial to the cash customers.

Did you know that Paul Bowser, who passed on at 74, had been married to one of the foremost women wrestlers of her time . . . Cora Livingston . . . who passed on two years ago? It was Paul who imported Dan O'Mahoney and Steve (Crusher) Casey from Ireland.

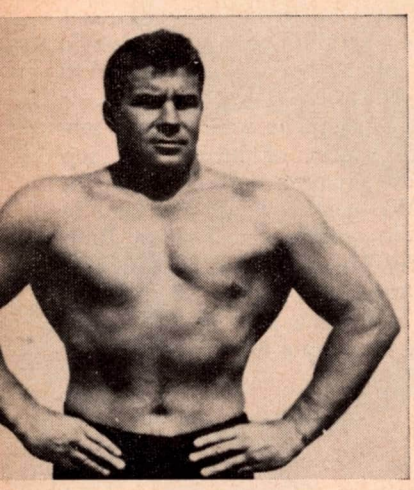
Tokyo, Japan . . . Yokozuna Tochinishika, 34 years old, and weighing in at 257, just captured the Suma title in the tenth grand tournament. The champ pays tribute to golf which he says restored his legs four years ago when it appeared that his failing legs would cause him to go into retirement. So if its legs you want, golf young man, golf.

Gene "Big Daddy" Lipscomb, 294 pound new found wrestling star's "Bear hug" has cast fear into more than one opponent on the West Coast. John Swiderski, a long time friend, and manager of "Daddy" when the big boy is wrestling instead of playing professional football for the Baltimore Colts, writes that eating could be Daddy's biggest problem. A hamburger stand gets scared stiff the minute he appears. He can stow away $50.00 worth of food at one sitting . . . can he earn enough to eat?

Dominic Doganiero just completed a successful mat tour of West Virginia. In one colorful whistle stop arena a local fan, a coal miner, came up to Dom and informed him he had seen and read his name in "Ring" in the nostalgic pleasant past. Doganiero is a heavyweight from South Camden, Camden, N. J., which is an endemic quay city on the Delaware River that manufactures everything from an aircraft carrier, pen point to a self-sealing plastic bottle cap. Doganiero is still very active in the heavyweight ranks of the thrilling mat game.

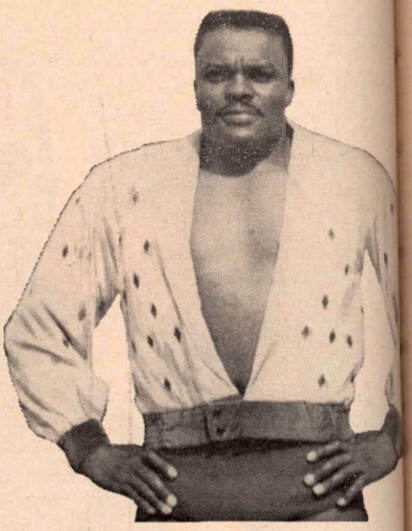


Yukon Eric, in blue jeans, saw his title hopes go splash when champ Pat O'Connor decked the Alaskan strong man with three power laden drop kicks in their Buffalo, New York meeting.



The body beautiful, George Gordienko, from Winnepeg, Canada, who has had a successful tour in Europe and is now vacationing in Spain. He will return to England shortly. He and former Texas star Ray Gunkle grappled to a draw recently in London before George took off for Spain.

Betty Clark is a rugged, slam-bang gal wrestler from Roanoke, Virginia . . . a lot of woman and a lot of wrestler . . . a tough combination to beat.



King Jack has made a life combining careers as a professional wrestler and a marine. As you can gather—he's tough. A perfect gentleman outside of the ring, the King is a rough, mean character inside the roped square.

in the next seven years, Bruno expects to put his all into winning the world title.

Which has been his hardest match?

"My toughest match was in Madison Square Garden and Killer Kowalski was the man," he said. *"That "feller's rough you know,"* he continued.

He lifts weights for exercises and listens to classic music for kicks. Rock 'n Roll is not for him.

Sammartino receives a bucket full of mail weekly and the thought occured that this might be a bother.

"As long as people like me, I am what you say a success, no? As long as I'm success, I'm happy . . . so I like letters." He laughed. *"Is it not so?"*

Yes, Sammartino, it is so.

Here's a run down on one of grappling's newest strong men:

Height, 6 feet; weight, 260 pounds; chest, 58 inches; waist, 35 inches; arm, 21 inches; thigh, 29 inches; biceps, 20 inches; guts, 100%.

THE FAN CLUB CORNER

Judy Ward sent word to us of the organization of ex boxer and junior mat heavyweight champ, Danny Hodge fan club. If the idea appeals to you, why not write to Judy at Route 9, Box 393, Springfield, Missouri?

Mary Ellen Slawson has a novel type of club which she calls "The Showman", and includes five wrestlers. No one groaner gets more attention than any other . . . who are they? Johnny Walker, Prince Maiva, Arnold Skoaland and the Flying Redheads.

Mike Glover has gathered together a fan club in honor of Shag "King Toby" Thomas and his address is 1532 E. 97th Street, Seattle 15, Washington. . . . Buddy Rogers and Eddie Graham have an fc in their honor set up by Leslie Zelnis, 4429 S. Sawyer, Chicago 32, Illinois. . . . Faye Pierce pens along word of her fan club for Wilbur Snyder and her address is 2022 Elm Ave., Norwood 12, Ohio. Dear Mr. Loubet:

Please be so kind as to print the following announcement in the "Fan Club Corner", as soon as possible: James Morrison, president of the "Johnny Valentine International Wrestling Fan Club", wishes to announce that the club membership has been closed, and the club will indefinitely become "inactive" due to circumstances beyond his control.

It was only with the support of the "Ring", that the club was a success in the first place. As regular subscriber and a fan of the "Ring", I once again thank you for your cooperation.

James Morrison; President

THE WORLD WRESTLING RATINGS

MEN	WOMEN
1: Pat O'Connor	1: Fabulous Moolah
2: Edward Carpentier	2: June Byers
3: Antonino Rocca	3: Judy Grable
4: Dick Hutton	4: Barbara Baker
5: Killer Kowalski	5: Lorraine Johnson
6: Lou Thesz	6: Nell Stewart
7: Buddy "Nature Boy" Rogers	7: Kathy Starr
8: Bearcat Wright	8: Penny Banner
9: Dick "The Bruiser" Afflis	9: Princess Tona Tomah
10: Verne Gagne	10: Joyce Scott

TAG TEAMS

1: Antonino Rocca and Bruno Sammartino
2: The Kangaroos
3: John and Chris Tolos
4: The Gallagher Brothers
5: Ben and Mike Sharpe
6: Lou and Red Bastien
7: Tiny Mills and Stan Kowalski
8: Bearcat Wright and Daddy Siki
9: Jack Fargo and Don Stevens
10: Herb Freeman and Chief Billy Whitewolf

EASTERN ACTION—

By Earle Yetter

Hercules Romero, whose profile appeared in last month's issue has ascended the bandwagon of popularity winning

eight consecutive matches in Buffalo. Not so long ago, Romero defeated Happy Farmer Humphrey, the Georgia Son of the Soil, and he immediately became a favorite of the fans. When Romero could not do much with Humphrey in a stand-up battle, the Spaniard reasoned that he would have a better chance against the huge Georgian if he could bring him down on the mat. Watching for his opportunity, Romero finally caught Humphrey off guard, grabbed the big fellow's right leg and brought him down with a jar that even shook ringsiders. It was a bout which saw 930 pounds in action and when Romero pounced upon Humphrey, it was a humiliating defeat for the good-natured farmer.

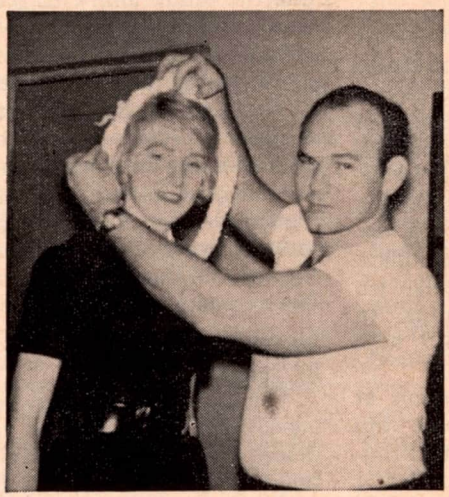
The following week, Romero was supposed to clash with John Tolos of the vaunted Canadian Tag Team Duo. When Tolos missed his plane connection from Cleveland, Mighty Jumbo, the Big Tree, Montana goliath, who weighs 517 pounds and who had run up a string of victories in Canada, was substituted for Tolos. Both men put on exhibitions of strength and it appeared that this bout would be a real test of Romero's ability. The Spaniard used a hip toss to deck the huge Jumbo and then Romero fell on him with his 306 pounds to gain the fall as 5,333 fans roared. Romero had come through with flying colors.

Yukon Eric made his bid for Pat O'Connor's title not so long ago, but the agile champion, who has successfully met all challengers since taking the crown from Dick Hutton, was in his best physical condition. Pat brought down the Alaskan with three resounding drop-kicks to keep his crown awarded him nearly two years ago by the National Wrestling Alliance. It was the first time that Eric had wrestled for the title in Buffalo, N. Y.

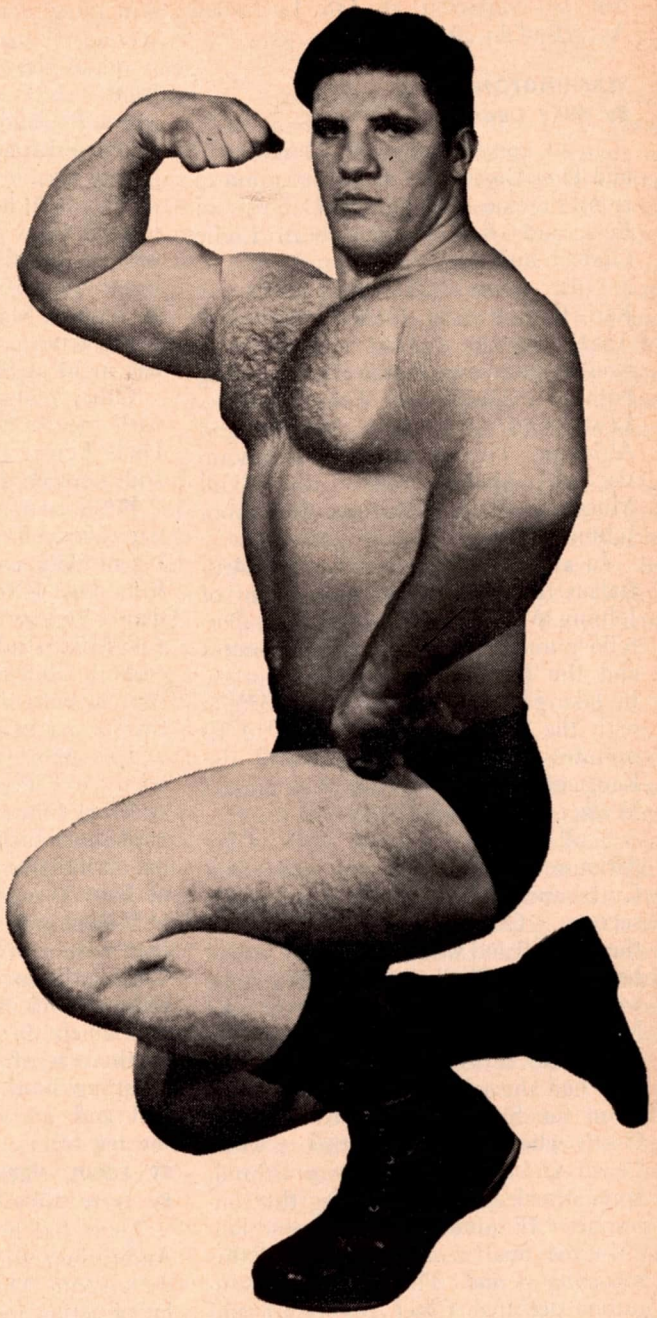
Coming to the fore is young Waldo von Erich, younger brother of Fritz von Erich, who has displayed plenty of intestinal fortitude in his bouts. In the near future he will team up with brother Fritz to form a solid tag team combination. One of his recent bouts was a smashing draw decision against Bobo Brazil. Here is a lad who has what it takes to climb to the top of the wrestling ladder.

Popular Dick Beyer is wearing a big smile these days . . . and there's a reason . . . it is a 10 pound, 4 ounce son . . . his first born, and let me say that Dick is heading to the top echelon of wrestlers as he gives some of the reigning stars a hard time. His two bouts with Duke Keomuka were mat classics.

Recent matches in Cleveland, Ohio, saw Lord Athol Layton and Ilio Di Paolo defeat John and Chris Tolos before 7,381 fans, in one of the wildest bouts of the new season. On the same program Farmer Humphrey thought he could lick both Mike and Doc Gallagher in a handicap match,



Johnny Walker, otherwise known as the "Rubber Man," presents the very attractive Miss Patricia Hawkins with a lei during wrestling convention at Washington, D. C., that was highly successful.



Bruno Sammartino, an Italian transplanted to New York, has been a sensation in the Eastern U. S. rings. Considered one of the most powerful men in wrestling he has recently teamed up with Antonino Rocca for Tag Team appearances and the duosome have gone over with a bang.

but those wild Irish Bayonne, N. J. belters turned the tables on the fat boy. Dick Beyer brought down the house with a rousing victory over Ladislaw (Iron) Talun, of David and Goliath movie fame. Popular Billy (Red) Lyons tipped over Reggie Parks while Bobby Bell went to a draw with "Roaming" Ramon Lopez, the lonesome Mexican.

Bobby Bell, is a likeable newcomer from North Bay, Canada. Wrestling about five years now, I cannot help but notice that the lad has a perpetual smile on his face no matter how tough the going. The boy can take it, with a smile. He dishes it out too.

The new season is just in its infancy, but if the matches which Promoter Pedro Martinez has been giving his clients is any criterion of things to come, then everything points to a spectacular year all around.

Fans desiring answers to inquiries are kindly requested to forward self-addressed stamped envelopes. The writer

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can be contacted at 138 Lockwood Ave., Buffalo 20, N. Y.

WASHINGTON, D. C.
By Mike Geary

In a Capitol main event, Mark Lewin and Don Curtis won in twenty minutes from Frankie and Johnny Gabor, and Lew and Red Bastien beat Eddie Graham and Karl Van Hess.

Other bouts during the month saw Karl Krauser take Buddy Rosen and Angelo Savoldi. Haystacks Calhoun won a handicap match by defeating both Lou Albano and Tony Altimore. Lewin and Curtis beat Murphy and Altimore. Tito Carreon beat Jack Vansky and Marvin Mercer and Skull Murphy took two of three falls from Johnny Walker.

In another match between the Australian Kangaroos and the team of Johnny Walker and Prince Maiava, Costello pinned the Prince in 12 minutes and the Prince returned the courtesy by taking the second fall from Costello with the Samoian Skull Breaker in 10 minutes. The other member of the Kangaroos, Roy Heffernan, then pinned Walker for the final fall.

Skull Murphy teamed with Tony Altimore to try for a win over Don Curtis and Mark Lewin, but with little success. Curtis pinned Altimore for the first fall and when the second period began, The Skull introduced a rope which he promptly wrapped around Mark Lewin's neck. When the referee had finally broken it up, it was Lewin who had the rope and he worked with it on the Skull, then passed it on to Curtis who used it on Altimore while Lewin grabbed Murphy from behind, applied a sleeper hold, ending the contest after 17 minutes for the second fall.

In the final main event during this reporting period, The Australian Kangaroos defeated Chief Big Heart and Haystacks Calhoun. In other results: Oscar Verdu took two out of three falls from Fellia Bioci in a rough and tumble match featuring two newcomers to this area. Don Lewin defeated Jack Vansky, Karl Krauser again won from Buddy Rosen, The Great Scott pinned Marvin Mercer, Arnold Skoaland beat Tony Altimore and Tito Carreon stopped Angelo Savoldi.

FROM THE CAROLINAS
By Gene Gordon

The Great Bolo still remains unmasked. The hooded terror has held on his face covering for more than two years now.

His recent match with Ray Villmer at Charlotte Memorial Stadium drew over 5,000 fans to the outdoor card. Villmer was giving the masked wonder a rough evening and had managed to weaken him enough with body slams to win the first fall and had succeeded in tearing the mask enough to where Bolos hair was showing. The enraged Bolos went beserk, threw Villmer over the ropes, he landed out the ring injuring the popular St. Louis wrestler so that he was unable to continue.

This Bolo has held on to his identity longer than any other masked man since Larry Blaine was creating much havoc here back in 1947. Known as Maskel Marvel No. 2 Fred Blassie finally removed his mask that hot Labor day night at the old Charlotte Armory.

Other matmen who wore the mask with success here were Bobby Stewart, Dick Lever, Al Mills, Ellis Boshara, and Leverne Baxter.

Wild man Larry Hamilton took a win over clever Pat O'Hara on the big outdoor card. George Becker and Billy Two Rivers fought in the rain to gain a victory over toughies Ike Eakins and Mike Paidousis. The rain started coming down just as their match started, but few fans left as they braved the shower to watch this exciting bout.

Two girls put up a thriller in a tag team go which featured action galore as Ethel Johnson and Ramona Isobelle used some smart strategy to pull a win out of the fire to top the strong team of Babs Wingo and Matha Scott.

Midget girls met in a special event that was enjoyed by the large turnout. Darling Dagmar was the winner over Baby Cheryl. Sandy and George Scott are much in demand all over the southern territory. The two sensational wrestling brothers have plenty on the ball and are considered tops among the tag teams.

ST. LOUIS WRESTLING
By Larry Matysik

There has been no wrestling at Kiel Auditorium the past month but promoter Sam Muchnick has promised a lot of action for the rest of the season. He has already signed Wilbur Snyder to meet Gene Kiniski on the next Kiel card.

Bill Longson tried his hand at promoting this month when he presented a four bout bill at the St. Louis House. In the main even the tough twosome of Rip Hawk and Rock Hunter defeated Joe Tangaro and Guy Brunetti. In the two of three falls semi-final Ray Gordon upset Taro Myaki when Taro was disqualified in the third fall. Disqualification hurt newcomer Ivan Mulkovich when he lost to John Paul Henning. In the opener Judy Glover battled to a draw with Lorraine Johnson.

To compensate the slow action at Kiel TV shows have really been top notch. This month led off with Brunetti and Tangaro meeting Hawk and Hunter on TV with both teams being disqualified, to set up the next bout at the St. Louis House. Juan Sebastian beat Joe Costello but lost to John Paul Henning. The following week saw Rip Hawk defeat John Paul Henning in a riotous bout. At the ten minute mark Hawk stole an ink bottle from announcer Joe Garagiola's desk and attacked Henning. Henning blew his stack and give Rip a body slam on the press table, slugged the referee and Bill Longson. Bob Orton and Thor Hagen drew, as did Pedro Goday and Ray Gordon. Orton again got no decision in his match with Gordon but Hawk beat Goday. Taro Myaki upset Henning with judo chops in 14:58. Don Lee battled Bill McDaniel to a draw while Brunetti and Tangaro beat Sebastian and Goday. The final TV card of the month saw Henning beat Jumpin' Johnny Ramirez.

Bob Orton lost to Cowboy Bob Ellis after he opened a long, jagged gash over Bob's left eye. Ellis seemed to be defeated but he tricked Orton into a Boston Crab. Pat O'Connor beat Rip Hawk on a TV card. When angered he tossed Rip through the ropes, out of the ring, and under the press table. George Drake lost to Rock Hunter when he slugged the referee.

NEW ORLEANS
By Ike Morales

If there are any such awards presented, Joe Gunther is Dixie's nominee for "Wrestling Promoter of the Year."

A former member of the bone-crushing trade, "Bullet Joe," as Gunther is known to his many friends in and around New Orleans, is rapily moving to the front among the nation's leading grappling promoters and matchmakers.

One of the big reasons for Gunther's sudden success has been the appearances here of Dick the Bruiser, probably the biggest box-office draw since the days of Jim Londos, Mike Romano and Strangler Lewis. The Bruiser's initial appearance in a New Orleans ring lured more than $7,000 worth of customers into the auditorium. Georgeous George, Cowboy Ellis and others of this calibre have been showing weekly, thus creating a new generation of wrestling fans.

The Louisiana State Athletic Commission is happy about the sudden mushrooming interest in wrestling and the talent Gunther is bringing in for regular shows. The mat game is not only thriving in New Orleans, but throughout Louisiana, especially in Lafayette and Houma.

WRESTLING REPORT
By Joe Zuller

The high flying Bastien half brothers added a little touch to the cake as they defeated the "Lavender Hill" mob the rough tough Gabor Bros., Franky and Johnny.

The Negro heavyweight champion, Bearcat Wright, cut down the efforts

of the very rough Skull Murphy. 601 pound Haystack Calhoun vanquished the German star Karl Von Hess. The Blonde Bomber Eddy Graham went to a draw with TV champ Don Curtis.

Promoter Joe Smith came through with some good matches. Here are the results. Chief Big Heart the Pawhuska, Oklahoma Indian, came through with a win over the blonde master of the mat Georgeous George. Karl Von Hess, the mad German, lost to the very popular Don Curtis. Switching to the south for some good matches, Big Mr. Kleen (really Ed Miller) came into the North Side Coliseum in Fort Worth, Texas. In five weeks this six ft. 303 pound giant had a chance at the world championship.

In "Mr. Kleen's first outing in the big Texas arena, he met Pepe Mendiatta. Using his great strength he won in 5 minutes. In his second week of wrestling in the deep south he wrestled the very dangerous Danny McShane. In the first fall the wild Irishman was disqualified for throwing "Mr. Kleen" over the top rope. In the second fall, McShane attempted to give a body slam but was not able, so Ed Miller fell on him for the pin. In the 3rd week "Mr. Kleen" met the ex-marine, singer Frank Townsend. Batting 1000, the bald-headed "Mr. Kleen" was victorious.

Pat O'Connor wrestled "Mr. Kleen", putting his NWA crown on the line before a large crowd jamming the arena. The champion took the first fall in 10 minutes. "Mr. Kleen" took the second in 5 minutes. The champ defended his title successfully by winning the third fall in 16 seconds.

LOUISIANA WRESTLING NEWS

Wrestling in Louisiana is enjoying unprecedented popularity through the efforts of matchmaker Joe Gunther along with the hard and enterprising work of the local promoters in various towns, such as Harry Romero, of La Fayette, Vincent Lopresto of Houma, Jimmy Thompson of Alexandria, Mrs. Pauline Killishaw, of Baton Rouge, Ralph Fox, of Monroe, etc.

Wrestling in New Orleans has in the past few months set new attendance records. La Fayette has been consistently drawing sellout crowds under the banner of Harry Romero. Houma, under the promotion of Vincent Lopresto, has also been showing to capacity houses. The fans enjoy the thrill packed action of the wrestlers who appear on these shows. Currently appearing in the Louisiana territory are such top notch wrestlers as Adrian Ballargeon, who is big and powerful as well as fast and scientific. The French speaking fans of southern Louisiana have established him as the biggest favorite of the decade. The common bond of the French language has endeared Ballargeon to the French speaking fans.

Other wrestlers on the Louisiana scene, are Tony and Jesse Jiminez of Sonora, Mexico. Bob Morrow, 22-year-old newcomer to professional wrestling. Veteran Firpo Zybysko. Popular Scotchman Ray Andrews. Ken Cooper of Mobile, Alabama. All-time favorite of Louisiana wrestling fans, Al Massey. National favorite Wilbur Snyder. One and only Dick the Bruiser and world-renown Gorgeous George.

WILD WEST WRESTLING
By Gene Corey

A furious grudge match between former partners, Ed Francis and Bill Savage looked more like a boxing match then wrestling, with Francis, after losing the first fall, took the second in a furious rage. Savage won the match, when Ed coming in for the press, ran into a knee that finished him. Savage then demanded a title match, which the "Gentleman" Francis agreed to providing measures were taken to keep Wild Bill in the ring.

Before a record crowd, "The Gentleman" very successfully defended his title by winning two straight falls from "Wild Bill" Savage.

The undefeated tag team of Soldat Gorky and Kurt von Poppenheim, met with their first losses since taking the Tag Team Trophy when they met Chief Billy White Wolf and Herb Freeman. They protested the decision, as the referee counted out the wrong pair for the last fall. Then later, the team of Nick Kozak and Herb Freeman defeated the Russian-Prussian team again, in two straight falls.

North Western champion, "Gentleman Ed" Francis and his family are leaving the Pacific Northwest for a while.

Their fans and friends wish "The Gentleman" the best of luck in Calgary and hope to see him back home soon. His final match was with Shag "King Toby" Thomas, and ended in a draw.

Looking around among the wrestlers, we find several new faces, and some familiar ones that we haven't seen for some time. A newcomer to the west is Tarzen Tourville from Canada and Nelson Royal is back from a tour of the East.

A couple of new faces, who have made their presence known quite well, are Bad Boy Heinz and Pierre Deglane, Heinz hasn't made as many friends as foes. Deglane is a new fast, wrestler who has become a favorite. One more new face, is Nicolas Volkoff, a Russian from Chicago, with a reputation for being rough. Ken Larimore has gone to Salt Lake City. He was well liked here, and is wished a lot of luck. "Wild Bill" Savage, after losing face at the hands of the NW title holder, Ed Francis, took off to Illinois.

Chief Billy White Wolf on the side is teaching wrestling and is assistant coach at Portland State College, in addition to completing his schooling there. Tough Tony Borne is back from a brief stay in Texas, where he went after Big Daddy Lipscomb. Tony is saying that he was too big for Texas, and also is laying claim to the title and saying that "Gentleman Ed" fled the country because he was scared of him. Our guess is that "Tough" Tony had better make tracks again if Francis hears of this.

Soldat Gorky was asked what he thought of Bornes, his only comment was "who's Tony Borne?" The Northwest Heavyweight Title was taken by the Russian Wolfman, Soldat Gorky, the other final man in the tournament was Nick Kozak.

NEW ENGLAND MAT NOTES
By Al Krtil

Promoter George Lennihan's latest all star wrestling show at the Boston Arena featured Killer Kowalski and Karl Von Hess in a tag team match against two very popular stars—Bearcat Wright and Sweet Daddy Siki. Kowalski and Von Hess won the exciting match in two out of three falls. In a co-feature bout the 601 pound hillbilly Haystack Calhoun defeated two opponents—John Gabor of California and Tony Altimore of Connecticut within seven minutes. The card drew 5000 fans.

With the fall season now in full swing, Boston fans are seeing the top wrestling stars in local appearances. The Armory A.A. is staging cards at the Boston Arena featuring such stars as Killer Kowalski, Karl Von Hess, Hans Schmidt, Bearcat Wright, Sweet Daddy Siki, Haystack Calhoun, "Nature Boy" Buddy Rogers, Skull Murphy, Frank Scarpa, the Gabor brothers—John and Frank, and newcomers Tony Altimore and Billy "The Kid" Lynch of Brookline. Veterans Arnold Skoaland, Don Curtis, Angelo Savoldi, and Judo Jack Terry have also been featured.

A new promotion headed by Jim Barnett and Johnny Doyle, with Boston promoter Tony Santos acting as New England representative, has been presenting wrestling workout on TV every Sunday afternoon, with big success. Such famous stars as Antonino "Argentine" Rocca, Verne Gagne, Pepper Gomez, Dick "The Bruiser" Afflis, the Miller brothers—Big Bill and Dan, Prof. Roy Shire, Cowboy Bob Ellis, Angelo Poffo, Kenji Shibuya, Mitsu Arakawa, and Ray (Shire) Stevens have been featured on these TV workout. Ex-grappler Sammy Menacher is the popular commentator on the workouts.

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CONFIDENCE MISLEADING?

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clashes with Ingemar Johansson . . . parenthetically, Johansson got the virus, but good in the first, suffered for it in the second.

The case in point here is Patterson and it is fruitful to recall his role as heavyweight champion up to the original Johansson encounter.

Floyd had come into the crown after Rocky Marciano's retirement, on a comparatively free ride, a fifth-round knockout of Archie Moore that didn't test his equipment to any serious degree.

Then he had short-of-the-distance successes over Hurricane Jackson, Pete Rademacher and Roy Harris. In these he had sensed such overwhelming superiority that he couldn't start scrapping at a competitive peak.

In consequence Rademacher and Harris each had him on the floor. But it had been no great problem for him to win. The result was a distortion of his sense of values. And the Brian London walkover didn't help.

Suffice it to say that Patterson, though innately humble, entered the first fight with Johansson with a contempt for the challenger. In his own words he'd phrased it: "*I believed what I read in the newspapers and the papers said he hadn't shown a thing.*"

What transpired in the third round, when he was down seven times and stopped, did more than scissor out his cancer of false pride—it provided a new dedication; he became a man who would believe only that which he literally knew.

And he said with a grim smile, after his fifth-round two-knockdown demolishment of Johansson in the return: "*This fight taught me one thing—never believe what they say in the papers!*"

Which suggests that, for the first time, Patterson has matured. To the authentic professional fighter, the fight critics have a job to do for the public. Their pratt falls—and these happen—are an occupational peril. But that the fighter should take their views as an absolute guide to his own, is preposterous. It is his career, his income. He basically must look after himself.

JOHANSSON'S CASE ONE OF MISLEADING EGO

A cleancut instance of misleading ego was that of Johansson. It had been implanted by his previous record, wherein he'd never lost and infrequently failed to knock out his opponent. But it didn't reach a harmful crescendo (to himself) until after their first fight.

From earlier general observations such as "no man can stand up under my right if I hit him," he changed to a personally scornful tune. "He (Patterson) remembers the beating I gave him. He will never be the same. He will have fear of me when he comes into the ring."

At the time it struck a responsive chord with countless reportedly sound analysts—and never have so many been so wrong.

Just the same, incorrect calculation growing out of improper values can be linked to the game's glowing names in almost any generation.

Joe Louis palpably had disregarded facts approaching his first fight with Max Schmeling. Old Jack Blackburn tried to tell him of his carelessly dropping left guard and of the German's stinging straight right. Glory had gone to Joe's head. He was thinking golf when he should have been thinking boxing.

In blood, sweat and a few tears, Louis learned his lesson. His 12th round knockout by Schmeling was an outlook-eraser. His new vista of studied seriousness lifted him to genuine heights, capped by the return, when he was finally able to tell himself, "*I'm the real champ now, I licked S'mellin'.*"

ROBINSON'S CONFIDENCE HOLDS RECORD IN BOXING

The histories of Patterson and Louis are testimonials to viewpoint-change but the one outstanding name struck most often by confidence-trouble would have to be Sugar Ray Robinson. He also happens to be the man who pulled out of it most often. Three title losses, three recaptures.

Until Robinson's two successive defeats by Paul Pender, there never had been a championship-caliber foe whom he didn't gauge more intelligently in a return than in a first fight.

RANDY TURPIN . . . when Sugar sashayed over to London, he had been certain in his own mind that this was to be a whistle-stop aftermath to a gay continental tour. He had refused to believe he needed more than a shave and a haircut to be ready for a lad whose prior bouts never had taken him over eight rounds. But 15 rounds with Turpin gave him a new respect which he implemented with a savage attack for a 10th round knockout in the return.

GENE FULLMER . . . "He fights with his face," George (Emperor) Gainford, Sugar's longtime aid, had scoffed. Robinson verified agreement by avoiding the gym as if it were out of bounds during the weeks before the fight at the Garden. Again a rude awakening as Fullmer played it alternately cute and rough to win over 15. But, coming up with caution and typically plotter's cunning, Ray trapped Gene in the encore for a blazing knockout.

CARMEN BASILIO . . . ha! ha! ha! merry peals of laughter rocked the Robinson entourage in looking forward to the first fight. A little guy, with a little guy's limitations. Ray thought he had figured it out. His preparations were more concerned with theater TV hassling than Basilio. He paid for it, when Carmen clambered into him from start to finish in 15.

Personal readjustment was the hallmark of No. 2; he concocted an evenly-paced 15-round effort and capitalized Basilio's bad eye.

Yet, apart from these responsive names, the highway of boxing is cluttered with confidence-misusers who, once down, couldn't put the pieces together again.

BILLY CONN A SELF-ASSURED HIGHLY REGARDED GLADIATOR

Was there ever a more self-assured gladiator than Billy Conn?

In his hurricane-keyed swath through the middlweights and light heavyweights in the late 1930s and early 1940s Billy regarded nobody with awe.

When he outfought Gus Lesnevich for the second time as 175-pound champion, Conn casually told Gus:

"*This light heavyweight title, I can't make any dough with it, there's no one in the division who can give me a fight, you take the title. I'll go after Joe Louis and the heavyweight title—I'll beat him and I'll be sitting on top of the world.*"

The world of boxing will recall that Lesnevich succeeded in his light heavyweight crown quest after Conn removed himself from the field. It also will be recalled the uninhibited verve with which the slim Pittsburgher trained for Louis in 1941.

At his training camp in Greenwood Lake, N. J., one day a radio crew recorded fight predictions by writers. Of half a dozen questioned, all picked Louis.

Within no more than 15 minutes, a fully dressed Conn was out among the writers expressing amazement that they'd "*gone off their rockers, you fellows know I'm going to take him.*"

And he fought Louis like a man with sincere self-belief. As the rounds passed, he got bolder and bolder. In the 12th round, with a Conn decision victory in 15 a distinct possibility, he was firing shots with knockout-intent.

"*What are you trying to do?*" Johnny Ray, his manager, had ragged him in the corner. "*I have him, I can take him out,*" Billy insisted, "*why settle for a win when you can get a knockout?*"

It was improvident scheming against Louis, the greatest puncher of his generation, but this was Conn.

When Louis' fireworks meshed in the 13th, Billy wilted and it was all over. Later he joked limply about his gamble . . . "*that's the way it is with the Irish, all or nothing.*" Underneath, however, the steel plate of confidence

had cracked beyond repair. He went into the army and his attitude overseas was a hint that, when he fought again, it wouldn't be with the old wild-eyed zeal. His post-service return with Louis, a disappointing re-issue of their thriller, proved that.

MAX BAER ANOTHER WHOSE CONFIDENCE BROUGHT DEFEAT

No record of supreme built-in belief is complete without reference to the late Max Baer, Adonis and fistically gifted specimen. He wrote the book on self-affection. But withal, so amiably that he incurred little resentment and afforded rich amusement to many.

Baer was as colorful as a rainbow and, the day after his first important fight nationally, with Paulino Uzcudun, in Reno, Nev., he wed Dorothy Dunbar Wells, a former actress.

The ceremony was rollicking. When the minister said, *"are you Max Baer?"* he replied *"I do."* When the clergyman went on, *"the name of your wife, please?"* he answered: *"Max Baer."*

At the wedding breakfast, 50 strangers appeared. The new spouse was presented with the bill. She handed it to Max. *"Go see my manager,"* he chirped.

This marriage didn't last. Quite a few years later Max met and became a devoted husband to his Mary Ellen, who survives him with their fine family.

But the overweeningly immodest young Baer was a character. Here is an incident which occurred while he was training to fight for the heavyweight championship against Primo Carnera.

Bill Brown, silver-haired, ruddy-faced old physical conditioner, a member of New York's State Athletic Commission, had been watching Baer with his confreres. This particular day Max was capering and mugging at his best, or worse, whichever you choose. Brown blew his stack.

"Baer is in terrible shape, he isn't the least bit close to condition and it's a crime to let people pay $25 to see him fight for the title," Bill roared.

Off to a side Baer heard Brown's remarks repeated and then said: *"Did he (Brown) pay $25 to see this workout? I'll train the way I want, I'll do my fighting in the ring."*

When it got to fight time, Max delivered. He had Carnera on the floor 12 times in an 11th round knockout as the clown prince became the heavyweight champion.

In the dressing room he asked for Bill Brown.

At ringside the commissioner had blurted: *"I think he's two bums!"*

Laughed at in Baer's flush of triumph, this angry opinion was to become an accurate description of Max in his first defense of the championship a year later, against veteran Jim Braddock.

The 10-1 odds against the challenger obviously had served as the text for the champion's training. He came without ambition or resolution. He dawdled, drifted for 15 rounds. Braddock became the titleholder in a shocking upset.

Without demeaning the winner's effort, writers were unanimous in panning Baer's flagrant overconfidence.

If that come-off were a beacon for other ringmen of like disposition, it surely hadn't been observed by Fritzie Zivic, the noisy, flat-nosed scion of a family of Pittsburgh fighting stock.

ARTFUL ZIVIC FOLLOWED FOOTSTEPS OF OTHERS

Long-denied, the artful Zivic had hit championship paydirt in 1940, thanks to an opportunity at the welter title against Henry Armstrong. In a return Fritzie repeated by a TKO, in fact signallized the beginning of the end for Henry.

And it was as a titleholder who knew he was good that Mike Jacobs arranged for Zivic to make a 'road show' risking of his crown against Freddie (Red) Cochrane, Elizabeth, N. J., roughie, at Newark. Fritzie didn't deign to go into the gym. He didn't check in at Newark until less than a week before the fight. And, after arrival, he spent all his time partying. . . . *"This bum?"* he chortled to his convival collaborators, *"I'll belt him out in a couple rounds, who respects him?"*

Well, for three or four rounds that night in the Newark ball park it seemed Zivic was right, he was making the right moves and coming within inches of the take-out punches. But time marched on. Cochrane got more aggressive, piling punches into Zivic's body. As the closing stages of the 15 neared, it was certain there would be a new champ unless Fritzie could uncork a knockout . . . he had done all his uncorking in his hotel suite . . . and the "bum" became the champion.

On ability Zivic, at the finish, probably still was much superior to Cochrane but he had been self-trapped, he'd carried his complex to a ridiculous extreme. It's gospel now and all for all time—confidence is an excellent servant but a poor master.

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY

By Selsso Tiborro

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE RESULTS OF FIGHTS STAGED DURING THE MONTH:

▶ Chiquis Rosales, 125, decisioned Claudio "Lobito" Adame, 129, in 10. Luis Jimenez, 111, decisioned Pollito Uribe, 107, in 8. Rafael Anaya, 115, beat Torito Lopez, 118, in 6. Porifirio Martinez, 126, stopped Jorge Salazar, 128, in 4. Miguel Perez, 125, decisioned Teo Roman, 127, in 4.

▶ Juan Leyva, 135, defeated Cisco Martinez, 135, in 10. Julio Moreno, 117, decisioned Isidro Morales, 118, in 8. Chabelo Mejia, 113, beat Rolando Martinez, 112, in 6. Armando Jaimes, 136, stopped Aurelio Lazcano, 135, in 5. Jose Jimenez, 118, and Carmelo Sanchez, 118, drew in 4.

▶ Jose "Toluco" Lopez, 121, decisioned Lalo Guerrero, 120, in 10. Torito Mota, 117, stopped Jose Luis Valdez, 120, in 3. Ciro Hernandez, 127, decisioned Rigo Guadarrama, 127, in 6. Francisco Chavez, 112, stopped Centavo Jardon, 111, in the sixth. Beto Salas, 117, stopped Carlos Garcia, 119, in 3.

▶ Mauro Miranda, 112, decisioned Chocolate Rodriguez, 110, in 10. Memo Vega, 117, defeated Angel Ley, 118, by disqualification in 4. Pedro Zapata, 115, decisioned Felipe Silva, 118, in 6. Goyo Torres, 111, defeated Victor Aguilar, 112, in 6. Guillermo Espinosa, 125, stopped Salvador Lozano, 128, in 3.

▶ Chihuahua Perez, 134, defeated Sergio Gomez, 132, by disqualification in 1. Antonio Aguirre, 125, stopped Beto Rodriguez, 126, in 7. Raul del Olmo, 122, stopped Miguel Valdes, 125, in 3. Roberto Wong, 126, stopped Fallo Altamirano, 122, in 2. Juan Molina, 117, decisioned Luis Ramirez, 118, in 4. Chamaco Huesca, 118, decisioned Salvador Camargo, 117, in 6.

▶ Chilo Barranco, 125, stopped Antonio Martinez, 123, in 2. Coyote Sarabia, 141, stopped Luis Tuzo Zuniga, 145, in 2. Rafael Anaya, 118, decisioned Marcelino Diaz, 118, in 6.

▶ Javier Garfias, 116, stopped Fidel Alfaro, 115, in 3. Marinerito Celis, 128, decisioned Joaquin Sandoval, 122, in 8. Ray Reyes, 127, defeated Serafin Morales, 125, in 6. Antonio Paniagua, 112, stopped Aurelio Zarate, 112, in 6. Beto Salas, 118, beat Jose Jimenez, 117, in 4.

▶ Alex Jimenez, 120, stopped Ray Ruiz, 116, in 9. Venancio Hernandez, 136, decisioned Armando Jaimes, 137, in 8. Roberto Ramirez, 123, defeated Juan Hernandez, 124, in 6. Ricardo Villalobos, 120, stopped Angel Perez, 128, in 4.

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FROM HALIFAX, N. S.

By Fred Bishop

GLACE BAY, N. S.—GENE FOSMIRE, 126, Bedford, Mass., subbing for Canadian champ Johnny Devison, stopped MARCEL GENDRON, 121, Quebec City, in the fourth round. In a ten co-feature, LeRoy Jones, 133, Halifax, the Maritimes top lightweight, outmauled Dartmouth's Rollie Thibault, 134, in a close go. The bout was Jones finest in years. He scored two knockdowns.

In a six, George 'Dookie' Munroe, 138, Halifax, lowered the boom at the two minute mark of the first round to kayo Elroy Sparks, 136, Halifax. In fours: Bobo Bonaparte, 153, Sydney, stopped newcomer Scotty MacBride, 159, Halifax, midway through the second. Basil Arsenault, 190, Mira, outpointed Em Hefferman, 192, New Waterford, in an action packed go.

▶ **MONCTON, N. B.**—Yvon Durelle, 194, Bais Ste. Annes, N. B., has hung them up for good after taking a beating from young Paul Wright, 181, Trenton, N. J. Durelle was down eight times, four of his own making as his wild swings missed their intended mark.

In the semi-final six, Joey Durelle, 150, Ste. Annes, had the crowd on its feet as he and Blaine Hayden, 148, Springhill, stood toe-to-toe in as wild a slugfest as seen in Moncton in years. The decision was split and went to Durelle. In another six, Nick Kovac, 160, Moncton, was too classy for Johnny Griffiths, 157, Halifax, and won easily.

▶ **CORNER BROOK, NFLD.**—Top contender for the Maritimes heavy crown held by Cecil Gray, Phonse Lasaga, 206, St. Georges, Nfld., stopped Clarence Penton, 204, Stephenville, midway through the third round. In a semi-final of six, Honeyboy Carvery, 139, Halifax, stopped Charlie Harris in two rounds.

▶ **HALIFAX**—Blair Richardson, 160, Sydney, showing for the first time since his jaw was broken in April, was fed a soft touch in the person of Teddy Myrick, 159, Youngstown, O. The surprisingly inept Myrick bowed out midway in the third, Referee Frank MacIntosh stopping the drab affair.

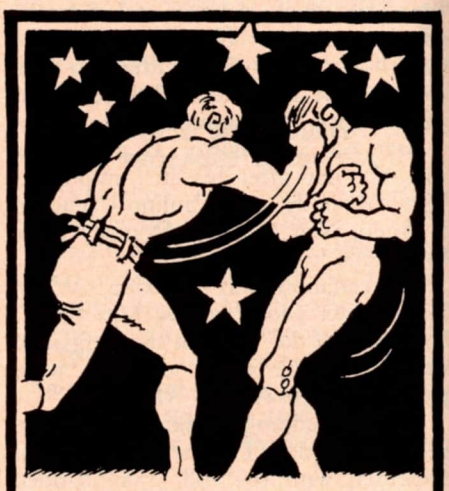
In sixes: Les Sprague, 136, Amherst, gave George Munroe, 137, Halifax, a bad going over before Referee Jack Delaney saved the defenseless Munroe from real trouble and stopped the slaughter in the 1.49 mark of the third.

Les Gillis, 127, Sydney, made it two in a row over fancy Johnny Dupre, 127, Dartmouth, in a slow fight that finished well. By far the best go of the night had young Davy Downey, 145, Halifax, running his win streak to three as he was handed an unpopular decision over fast punching Walter 'Peanut' Arsenault, Arsenault showing for the first time in Halifax rings, floored Downey twice.

DECEMBER

"There's another good reason why Christmas should last, The season of boxing should never be pass'd;
For boxing's a bus'ness I take with delight up, If it means getting money, or getting a fight up".

"You LADS OF THE FANCY, who wish to impart
The tokens of friendship and soundness of heart,
To BELCHER'S repair, at the CASTLE so strong,
Where he'll serve you all well, and you'll hear a good song.
The company cheerful, and SPORTING's the go –
Though milling's the theme, you'll not meet with a foe;
But each in good humour, enjoying his pipe,
With tales of the FANCY – and knowledge of life!
Then let us be merry,
While drinking our sherry,
For friendship and harmony can't last too long –
Be still our endeavour,
That nothing shall sever
The LADS OF THE FANCY at the CASTLE so strong!"



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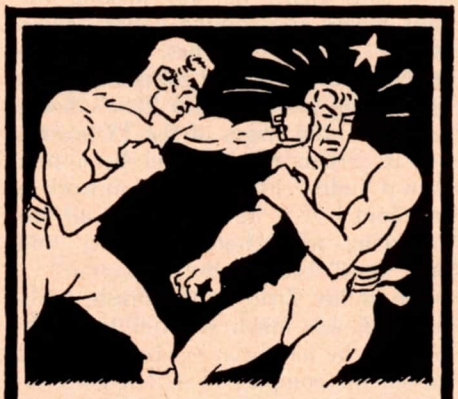
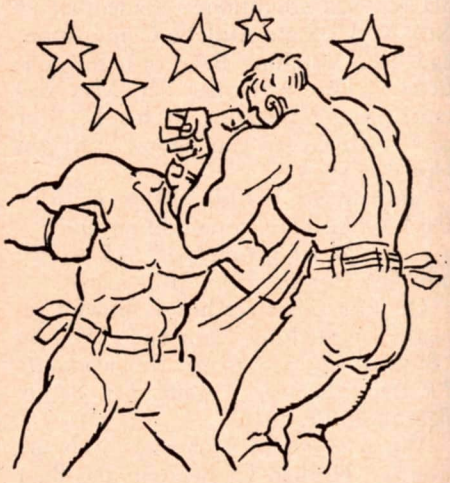


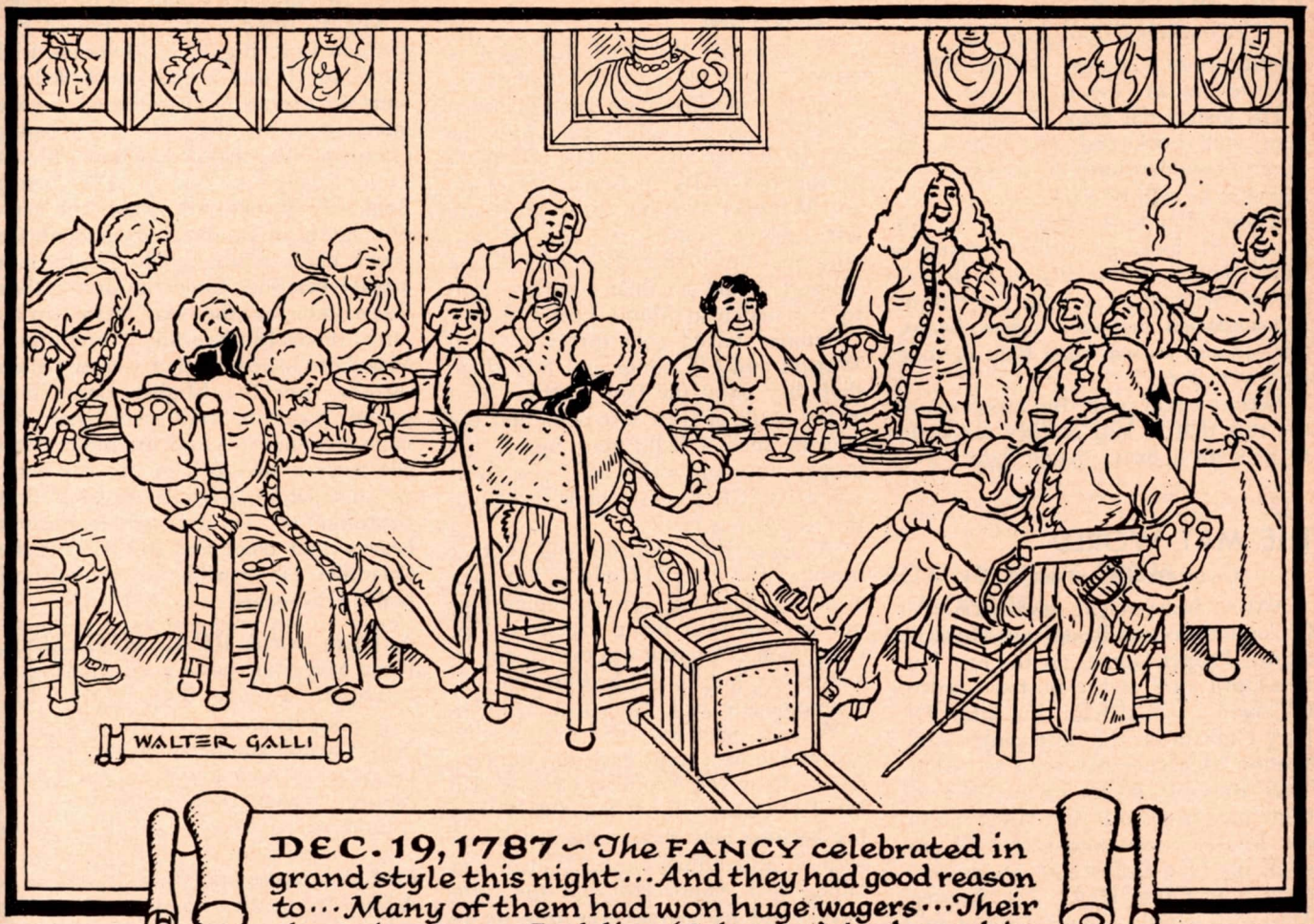
DEC. 11, 1821

In his brilliant essay, "The Fight," WILLIAM HAZLITT, the distinguished critic, forever immortalized the MILL between Bill Neat and Thomas Hickman – (the Gas-light Man) – won by Neat ≈ 18 Rounds · ··· Hungerford Downs ···

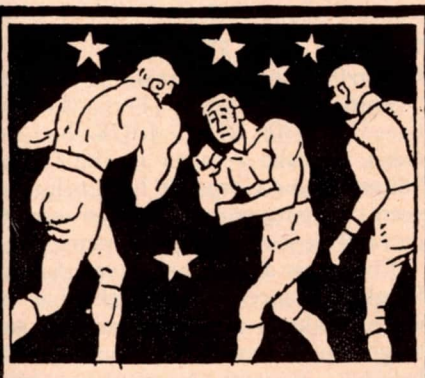


DEC. 13, 1815

The celebrated combat between GEORGE COOPER, "the Bargeman," and the famed "Sir" DAN DONNELLEY – Champion of Ireland – on the Curragh of Kildare. It was a hard, stubborn struggle, but "Sir" Dan managed to win.

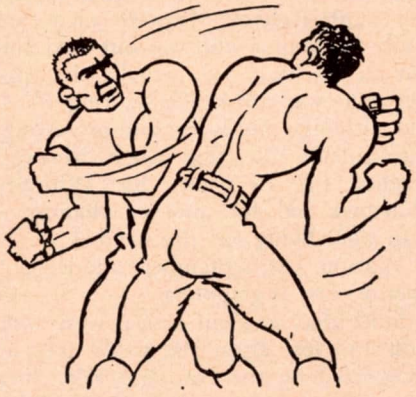


DEC. 19, 1787 ~ The FANCY celebrated in grand style this night ... And they had good reason to ... Many of them had won huge wagers ... Their champion, Tom Jackling (Johnson), had won his fight with Michael Ryan ~ the Irish Champion ~ BUT he won amidst violent disputation! .. Wradisbury. & So incensed were the Irish sports ~ they were for declaring WAR against England & &



DEC. 20, 1842

Resumption of the 70-round draw between CHARLES FREEMAN - "the American Giant" - and WILLIAM PERRY - "the Tipton Slasher" - fought just TWO weeks before - but this time, won by the gigantic FREEMAN - 37 ROUNDS ... Cliffe Marshes ...



DEC. 31, 1788

WILLIAM WARR - of Bristol - beat BILL WOOD, "the Coachman" - at Navestock, in Essex - "It snowed incessantly DURING THE COMBAT - yet the ardour of the combatants was not chilled, nor even the curiosity of the spectators damped .!!.

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JOSE BECERRA

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his title from Alphonse Halimi. Those close to him say this is not true.

His managerial team of Pancho Rosales and Lockwood are baffled by Becerra's sudden jump to seclusion but feel sure he will be back.

Those who have seen him sit for hours just looking, without saying a word, are not so sure that as a "loner" he isn't happier away from the crowds and adulation that most other champs enjoyed and missed when their fighting days were over.

Becerra could prove the exception to the rule that as long as they can bend to pick up a buck, they'll fight.

THE MAT WORLD

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NWA heavyweight champion Pat O'Connor successfully defended his title against Pepper Gomez on the first Barnett-Doyle card at the Boston Garden. O'Connor will defend his title Dr. Jerry Graham on the next garden card. Sammy Menacher has been picked by Tony Rocca to be his partner in a tag team match against the Miller brothers. Menacher has said that he'll give it all his best against the rough grapplers from Ohio. Dick "The Bruiser" Afflis will wrestle Pepper Gomez in a special event, and the Brunetti brothers —Guy and Joe, will be featured on this card along with Bobo Brazil and Miguel Perez.

Promoter Tony Santos is featuring a lot of new faces, along with veteran stars at the Rollaway Arena, Revere. "Haystack" Muldoon, Billy Graham, Rocky Baron, Enrico Ponzi, Big-Daddy Roberson, Bunny Rogers, Al Mediana, Manuel Bonica, and Armando Frederico are among the new faces appearing at Revere. Veterans Jesse James, Bull Montana, Frank Scarpa, Jack Dillon, Emil Dupre, and Baron Tony Verdi have been highlighting Revere cards, along with women wrestlers Alma Mills, Sally Gabor, Lucille Dupree, Mona Baker, and Bambi Ball.

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CANADIAN NEWS

By Earle Yetter

"Uneasy lies the head that wears a crown," is an old proverb but it seems to fit World Champion Pat O'Connor to a "T" as he nightly goes into the ring to defend his title. The aftermath of the first battle between O'Connor and Whipper Watson was so great and left such a controversy that it was only inevitable that Promoter Frank Tunney should get them together again for a rematch at Maple Leaf Gardens.

Tunney talked cold turkey to both Watson and O'Connor and told them that they owed the fans a return bout as the result of their first tussle left the fans in such a belligerent mood, the proper procedure would be to give them a rematch. After considerable bickering, the match was made.

Whipper Billy Watson won another moral victory over O'Connor, but such a victory does not win championships nor pay for your living expenses. Yes, Champion O'Connor was carried out on a stretcher, but he still had his title and championship belt, valued at $10,000.

Watson, who was riled over the result of the first bout, dealt out authoritative elbow smashes to O'Connor. He lifted O'Connor for a body slam, lost his balance and then both fell down with a resounding crash. Watson, in falling back, connected with the turnbuckle and fell outside the ring on to the apron. O'Connor rammed his head on the ring post and fell, but he landed inside the ropes.

Ringside fans tried to help Watson back into legal territory, but he couldn't shake off the cobwebs until after Referee Burt Maxwell had tolled the fatal 10 count. Referee Maxwell ruled that while O'Connor who was out cold and flat on his back, was actually the winner as he was still inside the ring. Watson, although on his feet and protesting, was outside the ring when Maxwell reached the 10 count. So, Whipper Watson's bid for another championship went flying out the window.

Watson, last September rounded out twenty years of grappling.

Since that accident he has won, lost, won and lost again the world title as recognized by the National Wrestling Alliance of which Promoter Frank Tunney was elected President at a convention in Mexico last September. We have it on good authority that Watson instead of considering retirement to his 250-acre farm at Keswick, will endeavor to shoot for a quarter of a century of competition at Maple Leaf Gardens. Today, by careful manipulations of his mat purses, Watson owns several businesses and is a wealthy man. But, it seems that he loves wrestling with such a burning desire, he has decided to keep on going instead of taking it easy and live among his memories.

Mighty Jumbo, the 517 pound gargantuan from Big Tree, Montana, who came to Toronto and proceeded to hang up a series of victories, was rudely interrupted by that up and coming Gino Marella, the 295 pound stalwart from Rochester, N. Y. The young Rochester giant took plenty of punishment from Jumbo, but suddenly he struck like a cobra, caught Jumbo in a mighty bear-hug three times and then threw him to the mat with jarring force. It was Jumbo's first Toronto loss. Marella followed up that victory with a surprise over the Mighty Ursus, 310 pound Mexican, and gave Ursus the same treatment. As an interlude, Marella sings a solo previous to his bout. As an amateur, Marella defeated Ivan Bustimur of Turkey, world amateur heavyweight champion in 1958, at the Olympics. He won his first professional bout in 28 seconds.

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THE KING JACK STORY

By Phyllis Zuver

Born in Washington, D. C., December 31, 1930, KING JACK had decided to make a career of the United States Marine Corp. He has in thirteen years of service with only seven more to go until he is eligible for retirement.

Five years ago, the mat veteran Rip Hawk convinced King Jack that he would make a good pro wrestler and taught him some of the finer points. Jack has also received instructions from popular mat stars such as Mike Mazurki, Kenny Ackles, Lucky Simonvich and The Sharpe Brothers.

While Jack was stationed in Japan and Okinawa, he studied the art of Oriental hand fighting under the famous Ricki Dozan and took part in several international contests.

King wrestles barefooted and has exhibited his wares in Japan, Okinawa, The New England States, New York, and New Jersey where he is a favorite.

An ardent believer in the necessity of calisthenics, Jack does them over a twelve hour stretch.

THE END OF AN ERA...

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the line when he fought Yvonne Durelle in Montreal. This sensational brawl, in which old Arch got off the canvas to win, was the first title bout telecast from a foreign land into the United States.

What were the results? The fights sold TV sets during a period when the industry wanted to establish itself before the public. Once most everybody had a TV set, the networks began to lose interest in boxing. The anti-trust ruling scared the video brass, and the scandals, resulting into continuous investigations has all but eliminated boxing from the airways.

Even the Garden lost its prime time on Friday night. While Gillette has extended its telecast for another two years, after NBC dropped them, the show had to be moved to Saturday night. It is beig carried on ABC TV.

Another result was large profits, guaranteeing Norris against losses. The big gates were so much frosting on the cake. There was a slump towards the end, and the last of the 501 fights he produced on TV, drew only $846. This was the Eddie Perkins-Gene Gresham fadeout on last September 28. Only 760 fans saw it in the Chicago Stadium.

How many more, sitting before TV sets all across America, saw Perkins get the decision? They run into the top figures.

What is known as Madison Ave—the advertising agencies representing the sponsors—is much to blame for the lack of fistic talent. The men in the grey flannel suits insisted on name fighters only. When they were used up, there were none to replace them. None had been developed.

CHANCE FOR SMALL CLUBS

With fights on network TV reduced to one a week, the small clubs may get back in business. Youngsters will start to come along. Those who have built up home town followings, and thus created a demand for their services, will find work on TV shows.

It seems obvious that major fights, those involving the heavyweight title, will be seen only via closed circuit in theatres where an admission is charged. The take from the second Floyd Patterson-Ingemar Johansson bout ran into millions. The control may have shifted from the hands of the networks to such outfits as TelePrompTer and Theatre Network Television. This then may be boxing's future.

It is more in line with what Mike Jacobs had in mind when he talked of the new medium. He thought of fights in small halls being witnessed by capacity crowds in gigantic stadiums—Madison Square Garden, Chicago Stadium, the new Los Angeles Sports Arena—from coast-to-coast. Instead the networks gave it away, and the crowds gathered only at fights where there was a local blackout.

Even when big fights, such as the Patterson-Johansson bout—the fans have not rushed to New York, or to wherever it was taking place. It was much easier and cheaper to see it on a big screen in the local movie theatre.

The first of the closed network fights seen in a New York theatre was Joe Louis and Jimmy Bivins. They fought in Baltimore in 1951 and were telecast to only eight movie houses.

Robinson and Carmen Basilio, boxing in the Chicago Stadium, grossed $340,000 in theatres and drive-ins throughout the country.

Through TV, network and closed circuit, boxing has crossed state lines. This resulted in the Federal Government's anti-trust action against Norris, and also led to the current Senate investigation. The future may be Federal control.

And so an era, a not particularly happy one, has come to a close. Boxing faces the Sixties, and a challenge.

TEXAS BOXING NEWS
By Harlan Haas

Houston, Texas, Texas Boxing Enterprises, Inc. The "Battling" Kid from Reynosa in Ole Mejico, Raymundo Torres, poured it on down the stretch, and for his efforts was awarded the 10-round verdict over Paul Jorgensen, 139, by a split nature. Torres was the aggressor all the way. The victor scaled 139, as did the loser.

Tod Herring, Houston's rugged 214 pounder, bombed out lanky Bill DeSoto, a 210 pound Shreveport cop, with a body shot in the fifth. George Price, 169, Houston, hung one on the smaller Al McCoy, 158, Longview, to end matters in the third.

Ed Beattie, 136, the Canadian, came back strong after weathering a hail of leather and stopped long haired Art Hayward, 134, Houston, in the fifth heat of a pleasing scrap. Jesus "Al" Garcia, 123, Matamoros, Mexico, a Torres sparmate, outdueled Wilson Holley, 125, Houston, in the curtain raising four.

▶ **Dallas, Texas,** Ralph Hall, Promoter—Before a small gathering in Big D, Archie Moore, 195, stopped George Abinet, 198, of Dallas, in the fourth round.

Curtis Cokes, 147, Dallas, looked good stopping Joe Louis Hargroves, 145, Austin, in the second. Danny Garcia, 198, tkayoed Elbert Deans, 223, in three. Tommy Hutchins, 152, whipped Sam Gray, 152, in four. Bennie Davison, 158, beat Lovell Jenkins, 160, in four, and Willie Morris, 174, stopped Joe Louis Esters, 170, in three.

▶ **Brownsville, Texas,** George Samano, Promoter—Jose Zapata, 158, came on like El Toro, and bowled over veteran Margarito "Chico" Garcia, 160, in the fifth round of the headline attraction in the border city. Johnny Hernandez, 129, stopped Jorge Vela, 126, in the fifth. Nicolas Reyes, 125, tkayoed Gustavo Carrera, 129, in three.

▶ **San Antonio, Texas,** Tony Padilla, Promoter—Jose Luis Cruz, 127, was the winner on a T.K.O. in the fourth round over Noel Humphreys, 127, in the Alamo City main go. Benny Castillo, 146, hammered out an eight round decision over Earl Citizen, 143. Jesse Leija, 130, continues to impress as he beat Bobby Gregory, 128, in six. Jimmy Burns, 138, was a four round winner over Eleuterio Landa, 145. Raymundo Lazo, 145, iced Larry O'Connor, 141, in the second.

▶ **Houston, Texas,** Texas Boxing Enterprises, Inc.—Before one of the most enthusiastic, if not the largest crowds to witness a boxing show in Houston, Joe Brown, 136, lightweight champion, kayoed courageous Raymundo "Battling" Torres, 139, of Reynosa, Mexico, in 2:24 of the fourth round. It was a non-title go, and the 34-year boss of the lightweight division usually isn't at his best in such affairs, but it was different this October evening. Seldom has the writer seen the great champion in finer fettle. He had it all. Shades of Willie Pep, Benny Leonard, and the like.

A left hook, followed by a right hand shot which landed on the cheekbone sent the Mexican toppling to the deck. He was up at nine but that was the beginning of the end. Joe let Torres press the attack, and bided his time. Towards the end of round four and near his own corner, he beat Raymundo to the punch with a short left hook. The Mexican's hands dropped and quick as a flash, Brown dropped a right hand bomb flush on his jaw. Torres fell heavily to the floor.

Joey Parks, 138, Omaha, was hard pressed to whip a very good young prospect Ruben Rivera, 135, Monterrey, in 10 rounds. Rivera looks like he will make the grade with a bit more experience.

Alfredo Zuany, 200, Juarez, stopped Dave Rent, 190, London, in the eighth round of a scheduled 10-rounder. Zuany brought the house down with his fine victory.

Art Hayward, 136, Houston, copped a close decision in six rounds over crowd pleasing Hector Ramirez, 135, Monterrey, who got off the deck to carry the fight to the hard hitting converted southpaw. Al Antoine, 190, Houston, lost a close one to Murphy Goodman, 180, Houston, who was making his pro debut in the four round opener.

▶ Anyone wishing a Souvenir Program from the Joe Brown-Battling Torres fight can have copy of same by sending the writer twenty-five cents to cover cost of mailing. Address your letter to the writer at 4903 Laurel, Bellaire, Texas.

BOXING NEWS FROM MONTREAL
By Wallace Brown

With no professional shows being held in Montreal during the month, three local lads came through in winning fashion in Quebec city. Fighting in the main event of ten rounds, Bob Cleroux, 205, kayoed Richie Norden, 204, of Stamford, Conn., in three. At the opening bell Cleroux sailed into his burly opponent, flailing away with both fists. Norden immediately took the defensive and held on until the referee stopped the contest with Norden grovelling at the feet of Cleroux.

After a sensational amateur career which was capped off by his representing Canada at the Olympic games, Raoul Sarrazin engaged in his first pro fight and made a winning one by stopping Eddy Beaudin of Quebec in 1:23 seconds of the fourth round.

Larry Rinaud of Montreal also made his first punch for pay fight a winning one by gaining a unanimous six round decision over Hershell Jacobs of New York. Rinaud weighed 179 to Jacobs 169.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
By Tom Ephrem

EDDIE BEATTIE, THE "HOLE IN THE HEART" KID, and RING MAGAZINE'S Best lightweight prospect some months back, is delivering the goods. The Miami, Florida and Hamilton, Ontario, Canada youngster came up with another ace performance at Hamilton where he shortened the 10 round main event to five by stopping Bobby Hamilton, of Edmonton. Beattie has yet to be beaten. Miamians should see more of this lad.

▶ With a single program feeding fisticuffs to Floridians recently several boxers lived it up elsewhere, namely Larry Boardman, one-time rated lightweight; Kenny Lane, RING'S seventh spot lightie, and Willie Pastrano, RING'S number four light-heavy. Boardman stopped Pat McCarthy, Jr., in the ninth round at Boston, where they drew in ten previously. Lane put an early end to his clash with Sidney (Sweetpea) Adams, of Philadelphia, in the latter city. Kenny kayoed Adams in the first. Pastrano faced Chic Calderwood at Glasgow, Scotland and the tab went to the home towner. Lane and Pastrano now live in the Miami area, while Boardman now calls Clearwater his home. RING'S fourth ranking welterweight, Ralph Dupas, of New Orleans, scored convincingly over Charley Scott, RING'S seventh best, in a 12 rounder at Sydney, Australia.

▶ Death came to Lewis (Ernie) Tubbs, of Houston, Texas, as a result from a bout in Pensacola, Florida a short time ago. Tubbs, a welterweight, had been unconscious when taken to the Pensacola hospital. He showed some signs of recovery but couldn't beat the full count in Houston's Jeff Davis Hospital.

▶ Freddie Blades, 190, scored a lop-sided 10 round decision over Johnny (Gorilla) Gould, 190, in the feature at Fort Lauderdale. Hitting well with right handers throughout, the verdict was tabbed without any trouble. The referee, former light-heavyweight champion Joe Maxim, had it 99-92; Judge Al Hegen, 100-93, and Judge Joe Jaquinta, 99-87.

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RATINGS

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over Francisco Barraez, 10. Baby Vasquez kayoed Al Melendez, 8. Arthur Persley stopped Fighting San Carlos, 9. Mauro Vazquez kayoed Dinamita Aguirre, 2.

Sebastiao Nascimento won from Carlos Estrada, 10. Larry Boardman stopped Pat McCarthy, 9. Joey Parks defeated Ruben Rivera, 10. Remolino Lugo upset Jose Luis Cotero, 10. Caesar Barrow stopped Emilio Sanchez, 8.

Gildo Montoya kayoed Reyes Lopez, 10. Hiroshi Okawa whipped Flash Panio, 10. Ed Beattie kayoed Bob Hamilton, 5. Ben deVilla stopped Terry Rebolado, 4.

Tony Lopez defeated Santiago Ramirez, 10. Freddie Martinovich upset Carmie Price, 10. Leroy Jones bested Rollie Thibault, 10. Chuck Taylor stopped Roland Kellem, 7. Tony Sanchez kayoed Muralla Zamora, 3. Steve Hayward won over Les Bagi, 8.

Paulito Escarlan kayoed Abel Aguila, 3. Dave Stone whipped Phil McGrath, 8. Manuel Alvarez drew with Nico Loche, 10. Billy Braggs stopped Jerry Black, 8. Pablo Lopez whipped Tony Santana, 6.

Young Terror kayoed Genji Sakai, 1. Wilson Harris drew with Leo Pitcher, 6. Dave Camacho whipped Ernie Virgin, 6. Benny Gorden drew with Marcos Morales, 8.

Cordoba Rodriguez kayoed Raton Vargas, 6. Kenny Tavares beat Jimmy Kelly, 8. Tommy Schaeffer kayoed Rudy Richardson, 3. Vince Shomo defeated Lash Sherman, 6. Valentin Rangel kayoed Toto Cervantes, 4, then beat Toto in 10. Les Sprague stopped George Monroe, 3, George had kayoed Elroy Sparks, 1.

Fernand Chretien halted Willie Cooper, 6. Tiger Smith beat Carmelo Acevedo, 6. Daniel Berrios won from Carlos Cruz, 10. Carlos Macias whipped Wat Varez, 6. Spud Peroddy stopped Artie Cox, 4.

Fred Galiana defeated Fernand Nollet, 10. Giordano Campari stopped Louis Van Hoeck, 3. Eddie Garcia outscored Al Franklin, 10. Steve Ward outpointed Jesse Watson, 10. Juan Leyva whipped Cisco Kid, 10. Oscar Ortegen beat Dave Camacho, 10.

Chihuahua Perez won on a disqualification over Sergio Gomez, 1. Johnny Cate stopped Spud Peroddy, 3. Raoul Sarrazin kayoed Eddie Beaudin, 4.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

European champion Gracieux Lamperti retained his title outpointing Pierre Cossemyns, 15. Danny Valdez stopped Ricardo Gonzalez, 5.

Italian champion Ray Nobile retained his title outpointing Alberto Serti, 12. German champion Willi Quattuor retained his title stopping Edgar Basel, 9. Jose Luis Cruz stopped Noel Humphreys, 4.

Auburn Copeland whipped Australian lightweight champion George Bracken, 12, but was stopped by Wally Taylor, 8. Terry Spinks gained the British title by stopping Bobby Neill, 7.

Tommy Tibbs decisioned Ike Chestnut, 10. Fili Nava kayoed Sammy Serrano, 5.

Gil Cadilli outboxed Raul Reyes, 10. David Floyd kayoed Tano Serna, 4. Roberto Castro stopped Roberto Arraigada, 7, but lost to Roberto Palavecino, 10. Kid Anahuac kayoed Sergio Aranda, 3.

Rudy Coronado kayoed Alberto Martinez, 6. Don Johnson won over Bobby Gray, 10. Chiquis Rosales beat David Rodriguez, 10.

Goyo Flores kayoed Memo Ruiz, 6. Fernando Gomez whipped Moi Torres, 10. Cain Rogero whipped Tuntun Torres, 10, and Pollo Gabino, 10. Otillo Galvan kayoed Juanito Hernandez, 5.

Gustavo Sosa defeated Ray Martinez, 10. John San Nichols stopped Vic Espanola, 9. Adrian Rojas stopped Gil Escobar, 6, and beat Abel Paredes, 8. Army Wonder Boy kayoed Carl Baldwin, 8.

Love Allotey kayoed Hugh O'Neill, 8. Luis Trejo kayoed Negro Flores, 9. Howard Winstone stopped Jean Renard, 8. Gallito Gonzalez kayoed Bobby Bell, 8. Ramon Sarmiento drew with Max Huerta, 10.

Yukio Katsumata kayoed Little Cezar, 6. Cristobal Gonzalez whipped Luis Moreno, 10. Danny Brown kayoed Angel Aguila, 6. Jose Castellanos outpointed Orlando Castillo, 10.

Flash Menny kayoed Rocky Sator, 4. Johnny Cate won over Henry Nieto, 6. Chino Diaz stopped Rafael Laboy, 8. Gene Fosmire whipped Tiger Smith, 6, and kayoed Marcel Gendron, 4. Hector Rodriguez stopped Willie McCary, 1. Les Gillis won over Johnny Dupre, 6.

Chiquis Rosales won from Claudio Adame, 10. Jose Napoles outpointed Tony Padron, 10.

Edwin Sykes kayoed Tono Coria, 1. Antonio Aguirre stopped Beto Rodriguez, 7. Tony Herrera defeated Quan James, 6. Chilo Barranco halted Antonio Martinez, 2.

Marinerito Celis won over Joaquin Sandoval, 8. Roy Best kayoed Sal Melendez, 5. Ray Reyes won over Serafin Morales, 6. Johnny Hernandez stopped Jorge Vela, 5.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Eder Jofre kayoed Ricardo Moreno, 6.

Alphonse Halimi avenged earlier defeat by stopping Jimmy Carson, 9. Eduardo Guerrero upset Kenji Yonekura, 10.

Jose Lopez outpointed Eduardo Guerrero, 10. Dennis Adjei upset Ignacio Pina, 10, and kayoed Elysee Castre, 6. Javier Garfias halted Fidel Alfaro, 3.

Jose Lopez kayoed Oney Mingus, 8. Oney kayoed Fidel Estrada, 2. Leo Espinosa outpointed Haruo Sakamoto, 10. Billy Rafferty kayoed Angelo Priami, 4. Nelson Estrada outpointed Dwight Hawkins, 10.

Pedro Ortiz kayoed flyweight Hiram Bacallo, 5. Ignacio Perez decisioned Henry Hitchman, 10. Jorge Salazar whipped Alex Jimenez, 10, and kayoed Miguel Lazu, 7.

Baby Moe Mario stopped Vince Castro, 10. Manny Elias stopped Kid Chocolate, 2. Rudy Corona kayoed Frankie Silva, 8, and beat Saul Becerril, 10.

Raul Barcelo kayoed Cuervo Salinas, 10. Roy Beaman kayoed Terry Tolle, 3. Juan Sanchez kayoed his namesake, Juan Sanchez, 7. Angel Boy stopped Omoni Laemfapha, 3.

Ray Ruiz defeated Zurdo Arct, 10. Raul Leanos won over Jose Galvan, 10. Luis Hernandez kayoed Panchito Hernandez, 3.

Alex Jimenez stopped Ray Ruiz, 9. Arab Junior stopped Kiyoshi Miura, 5. Ronnie Jones kayoed Al Pell, 7.

Julio Moreno beat Isidro Morales, 8. Torito Mota stopped Jose Luis Valdez, 3.

Tony Jasso whipped Silvestre Martinez, 10. Miguel Ulloa beat Angel Coronado, 10. Fidel Cruz bested Jorge Aguilar, 10.

Gregorio Sanchez beat Jorge Alatoore, 10. Roberto San Martin kayoed Sapo Melendez, 5. Pollero Garcia drew with featherweight Jose Lopez, 10. Tuntun Torres kayoed Gerardo Cepeda, 6.

Mauro Miranda beat Chocolate Rodriguez, 10. Luis Jimenez defeated Pollito Pribe, 8. Pedro Carvajal defeated Carlos Real, 6. Salvatore Manca stopped Elio DeWitt, 7.

FLYWEIGHTS

Pone Kingpetch retained world title by stopping ex-champion Pascual Perez, 8.

Leo Zulueta upset Dommy Ursua by unanimous decision, 10. Hiram Bacallao was kayoed by bantam Pedro Ortiz, 5.

Edmundo Esparza kayoed bantam Baby Moe Mario, 3. Ramon Arias kayoed Frankie Jones, 7. Jones then lost British title being stopped by Johnny Caldwell, 3. Chattchai Lamphafa stopped Atsushi Fukumato, 2.

Ray Pacheco kayoed Jesus Miranda, 3. Jesus had beaten Tino Salazar, 6. Horacio Accavallo kayoed Juan Barrera, 5. Saul Becerril lost to bantam Rudy Corona, 10. Carlos Rodriguez whipped Giacomo Spano, 10.

Baby Lopez stopped Roberto Lopez, 7. Romy Sisson stopped Tuksin Laemfapha, 2. Ponty Davies stopped Pancho Bhatachaji, 7.

Marcel Juban defeated Ely Relucio, 8. Billy Walker won over Don Braithwaite, 8.

WHERE IN THE CATEGORY STYLE DID LOUIS FIT?

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the result being a heavy accent on aggressiveness without artistry.

In-fighting has become virtually a lost art. Good prospects who might have gone places actually mold themselves into this TV image in order to earn TV fights.

Louis wouldn't and couldn't have changed his style. It was bred into him. His trainer, Jack Blackburn, merely refined what he found when the young Negro amateur was placed in his hands in Chicago early in 1934. He undid a few of the things the Brown Bomber had picked up in the amateurs, but not many. The basics were there to be exploited.

Our two debaters couldn't have picked a more controversial style as a subject for argument. Joe Louis fitted into no one category. He was unique.

ARK-LA-TEX JABS

By Bill McIntyre

A PROPOSED WELTERWEIGHT BATTLE BETWEEN LAKE CHARLES' FLOYD EAST AND BATON ROUGE'S CALVIN CLARY failed to develop during the month of September, but the Red Stick socker still managed to get in a few licks on his home grounds. He "should've stood in bed!"

BATON ROUGE BELTERS—Jimmy Kilshaw, promoter—Nolan Duplessis, the veteran New Orleans welter, stepped in on September 22 and pounded out a third round TKO over Calvin Clary, the former Louisiana State University collegiate champion from Baton Rouge.

In the four-round semifinal, Crowe Peele, another one-time NCAA champion from LSU, returned to the heavyweight wars and dropped a split decision to Jefferson Davis, 1960 Mobile, Ala. Golden Gloves titlist. Peele, once a bright prospect but now confined to preliminary ranks, said he was disgusted with his showing against Davis and dropped hints that he may quit the fight game.

Other Results—Charles Leslie TKO'd Ross Daniels in a light heavy go; Jimmy Field, Jr., decisioned Mobile's Duke Malone in a middles match; and Cheffy Reyna of Mobile outpointed Walter Henagan of Alexandria in another 160-pound offering.

HOOKS AND JABS—Paul Daniel, Shreveport's huge and husky heavyweight who won and lost against George Abinet and Buddy Turman in his two last starts in 1958, is back in training and expects to campaign once again this fall . . . Daniel, perhaps encouraged by the fact that Abinet—beaten decisively by him two years ago—managed to obtain a match against Archie Moore recently, advises us that he is in line for bouts against Roy Harris, Alfredo Zuany and/or Tod Herrin.

Big Bill DeSoto, the local 215-pound scrapper, went in against Houston's unbeaten Tod Herrin last month. . . . Bill still managed to drop Herrin in the third round before a right to his mid-section stopped him in the fifth.

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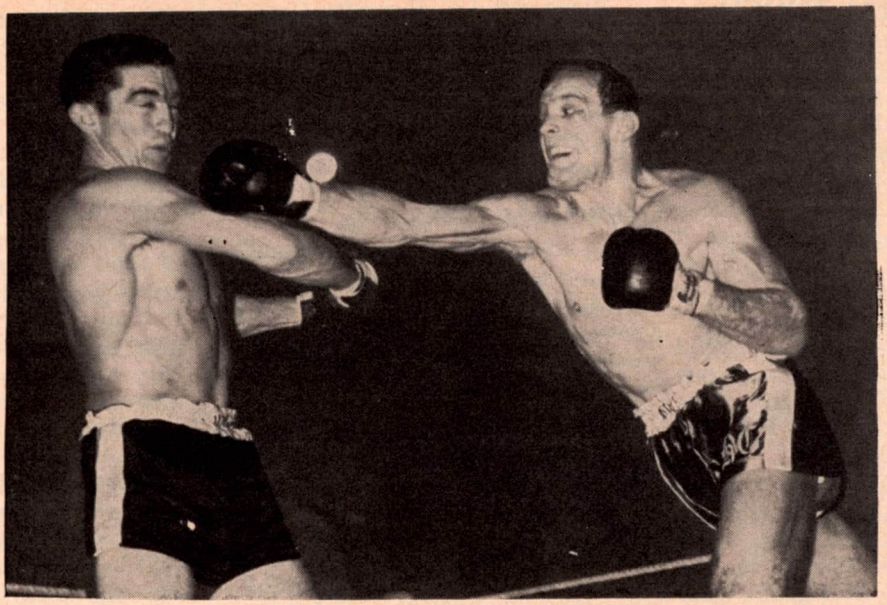
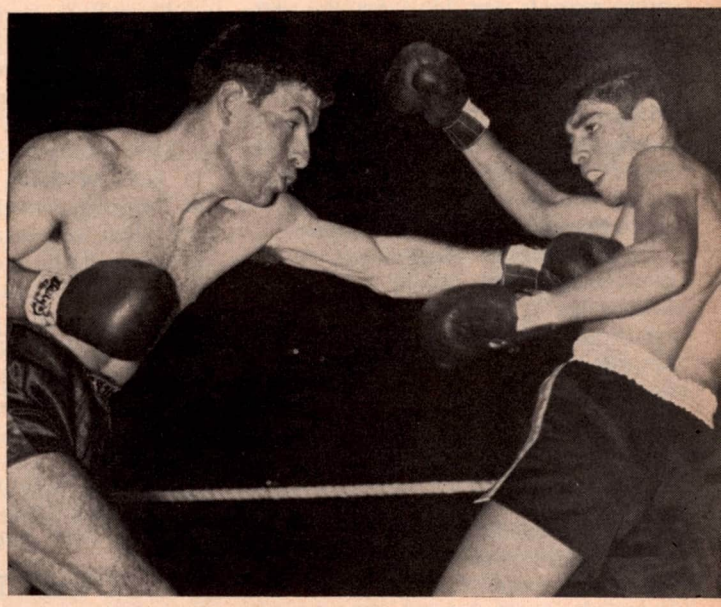


British and Empire Champion Henry Cooper lands a long right to the head of Texas Roy Harris during their London bout that saw Cooper win the verdict after ten rounds. Henry, making his first start of the year, floored Roy along the way and although he showed ring rust at times still kept himself in line for a bout with champion Floyd Patterson. His next fight will be a rubber meeting with Joe Erskine with whom he is all even in six fights.

GLOVE ACTION

What a difference a round makes. Photo shows Kenny Lane, Muskegon, Michigan, southpaw tagging Philadelphia's Len Matthews with a hard right hook early in the second round of their bout in Los Angeles that kicked off the new series of Saturday night TV fights. Insert photo shows Lane his face battered and bleeding from cuts around both eyes seconds before the referee stopped the bout in the third round.

The victory was a big one for Matthews, while for Lane it was the fourth time in his career he has been stopped due to his tender skin. It was a tough break as the fight was shaping up as a ding-donger during the short time it lasted.



British Empire welterweight champion unbeaten Brian Curvis of Wales carries the attack to Johnny Gorman of New York City during their bout in London. After a slow first round in which the lads sparred cautiously, Brian took command with his sharp combinations and built up a wide margin over his game American foe during the first six rounds. Curvis keeping up a steady attack battered away at Gorman until the referee halted the fight in the ninth round. For Brian, one of Britain's brightest young stars, it was his sixteenth straight triumph. Along with Tony Smith and Wally Swift the tight little isle boasts three of the best young 147 pounders in the world.

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THE GOLDEN TOUCH

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ians, once the predominat factors in the ring, have all but vanished from the major scene, and the keen neighborhood rivalries that played so vital a role in popularizing the industry in bygone years have been disappearing with them.

But the fight business, ill though it may be, isn't quite ready for funeral services. Every now and then you'll hear of some community suddenly "reviving" itself with excitement over a colorful local kid, such as Boston did a few years ago with Tommy Collins and Tony DeMarco, and Syracuse with Joey DeJohn and Carmen Basilio.

His career was brief but spectacular and while it lasted Chuck Davey was a sensational attraction in Chicago. Gene Fullmer has been responsible for the current boxing boom throughout Utah and the adjacent Rocky Mountain regions. Although a fading veteran, Del Flanagan is still a good box-office asset in St. Paul's ring promotions.

"GOLDEN BOY" ART ARAGON

One of the most remarkable attractions in recent years was Art Aragon, the "Golden Boy" of Los Angeles. Although never a champion, Aragon was one of the biggest money-earners in California's long boxing history.

For seven years Art's total for annual gross receipts was high for the state. During his tempestuous career, which spanned fifteen years, Aragon did most of his fighting for Promoter Cal Eaton in Los Angeles. As a main-eventer he made forty-two appearances for Eaton, and attracted nearly $1,500,000 to the ticket windows. That averages out to more than $35,000 per appearance.

Several factors contributed to Argon's magnetism. First, his Mexican lineage had a natural appeal to Southern California's tremendous Mexican population, and there are no more rabid fight fans anywhere in this restless world than Southern California's Mexicans. Second, Aragon deliberately made himself a heartily-disliked "villain" with other elements in Los Angeles. The result was that the crowds at his fights were about equally divided between those who rooted for him to win and those who wanted to see him beaten. Aragon's real appeal to everybody, however, was an exciting style and a lusty punch. Whether they were for or against him, the fans knew they were guaranteed plenty of lively action.

Before the World War I era, Jewish lightweight Leach Cross of New York had pretty much the same sort of appeal to the populace. Leach was no fancy boxer but, like Aragon, he was an exciting fighter and a stiff puncher, and he became a much-sought-after attraction not only in his native New York but throughout the United States.

Along with his other gifts, Cross had a sense of humor. Asked once to explain his remarkable popularity with the boxing fans, Leach grinned. "Popularity?" he repeated. "Hell, half the crowd comes out to see me killed, and the other half to bury me."

ANENT NEW YORK

New York, which, for so many years, teamed with outstanding attractions, has been suffering acutely from a dearth of local fighters capable of bringing out more than a few friends and relatives to their fights. With its history and tradition, and the prestige it represents, Madison Square Garden is still regarded as the "capitol" of the boxing world. With its strong financial resources, it is in a position to bid for top attractions. Without television, however, promoting in the Garden is a risky venture, as was demonstrated during the recent summer of 1960, when four non-TV'd cards produced a loss of nearly $50,000, despite the fact that some of the best available talent, even a world champion, was offered.

Unfortunately, none of that talent was a "hot" local attraction, and a "hot" local attraction is what any community, even a New York with its Madison Square Garden, needs to arouse the enthusiasm of the fight fans and send them rushing to the box-office.

New York hasn't had that sort of attraction since Jake La Motta and Rocky Graziano were packing 'em in and Ray Robinson was at the peak of his dazzling form.

Still, nothing springs more eternal in any profession than the optimism of the sock market, and you never can tell when some exciting local youngster is apt to flash across the scene, as did Pat McMurtry in Tacoma, Roy Harris in Houston, Tommy Collins and Paddy DeMarco in Boston, Joey DeJohn and Carmen Basilio in Syracuse, Art Aragon in Los Angeles, Chuck Davey in Chicago, and Robert Cleroux in Montreal.

There is nothing much the matter with boxing that a Fighter with the Golden Touch cannot cure.

THAI LAD TRUE CHAMP

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Pone stepped up his attack and it didn't take much for Perez's bouncing, leaping attack to wilt. His strength was ebbing with the seconds. He was now an ex-champion receiving from his ten year younger opponent what he so frequently had administered to others.

Kingpetch, only 24, with less than two dozen fights, has agreed to put his crown on the line again once more before fighting both as a fly and bantam. He thinks he will be stronger and can do better in the higher division, but has no intention of vacating the flyweight throne. He hopes to fight in each division.

Although Perez received $45,000 for depending his title in Tokyo against Kenji Yonekura, $50,000 for his next fight with Sadao Yoita in Japan and $42,500 for his Bangkok bout with Kingpetch, he and Pone received only $2,900 each for the title fight in Los Angeles.

Pudgy little Pascual who is only 5 feet tall compared to the 5 ft. 7 in. of his conqueror, closes his career with only three losses in 58 ring battles and one draw. Thirty-eight of Perez's wins were by knockouts. The dapper little scrapper won the crown in 1954 when he beat Yoshio Shirai in Tokyo in 15 rounds. He started his pro career in 1952. Pascual won the Olympic Games flyweight title in London in 1948 and defended it more often than any other champion since the retirement of Joe Louis.

JUST ASK

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December 8, 1914.

Q—Did Carpentier and Gunboat Smith fight?

A—*Yes, in 1914 and the Frenchman won in six rounds.*

ARTIE HAMMERFIELD, MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Q—From whom did Freddie Welsh win the lightweight title?

A—*From Willie Ritchie in London, Eng.* (You'll find his record in The Ring Record Book.)

MERLIN OLSON, WAKEFIELD, NEBRASKA

Q—Was Louis ever defeated? I had a dispute with a friend. One says Joe never lost a bout as a professional and the other that he was defeated.

A—*Louis never lost a bout in a championship fight but lost to Max Schmeling before Joe won the title and was defeated by both Ezzard Charles and Rocky Marciano when he tried a comeback.*

JOSEPH B. ERCHA, SALEM, MASS.

Q—When did the Harris-Patterson fight take place? What was the attendance and what were the receipts?

A—*At Los Angeles, August 18, 1958. Attendance was 21,680 and the gross receipts, $234,183.25. You'll find these and many other queries on boxing answered in the 1960 Ring Record Book, an Encyclopedia worth having in your libarary.*

CHARLES COLLIER, ORRTANNA, PENNA.

Q—Recently in Charlie Parish's column I noted the name of Baltazar Sanchilli listed as a champion. What title did he hold? I never heard of him.

A—*You will find his complete record in The Ring Record Book. He was a Spanish bantam who won the world crown when he defeated Al Brown in Valencia.*

CHAOS IN MIDDLE DIVISION

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ognized Thil as the world standard bearer. Jeby in the meantime lost to Lou Brouillard, the French-Canadian who in turn lost to Vince Dundde of Baltimore, who lost to Teddy Yarosz of Pittsburgh, who dropped the title to Babe Risko of Syracuse and who was shorn of his portion of the world crown by Freddie Steele of Seattle.

What a situation for organizations ruling a world sport to get into!

Thil, brought to America by Mike Jacobs to fight on his Tournament of Champions program against Apostoli, was thunderstruck when the New York Commission, the State in which the bout was staged, stood alone in refusing to recognize the affair as a title match. It was limited to ten rounds and when on September 23, 1937 Apostoli defeated Marcel, he definately was entitled to the highest honors in the division, yet had to be content with a non-title decision despite the fact that both he and Thil scaled within the championship limit.

The New York Board insisted that Steele was the world champion and suddenly, from out of a clear sky, came the report that the N.B.A. likewise recognized Steele as champion. For several weeks the two organizations found themselves uncomfortable bedmates on an idea.

The stalemate was broken when Steele, ordered by General Phelan of the New York Commission to fight Apostoli to decide the unsavory situation, refused to accept the edict but agreed to a non-title bout January 7, 1938 in Madison Square Garden with Steele suffering a knockout in the ninth round when Referee Arthur Donovan halted the affair due to severe cuts suffered over the eyes by Freddie.

General Phelan now ordered Steele to give Apostoli a return bout with his crown at stake, but Freddie's mentors hedged. Whereupon Apostoli received the blessings of the New York Commission as world champion.

Freddie went west and was stopped in a championship N.B.A match by Al Hostak in the first round after which Hostak lost in 15 rounds to Solly Krieger, who in turn was kayoed by Hostak in four in a return match.

It was not until Apostoli was stopped by Ceferino Garcia and Hostak was kayoed by Tony Zale that some semblance of order was developed. Mike Jacobs arranged a Garcia-Ken Overlin match in which Ken won the New York version of the championship and Overlin in turn lost his share of the world crown to Billy Soose in a bout of fifteen rounds.

Then came the retirement of Soose, who abdicated the throne enabling Zale to face Georgie Abrams, the outstanding contender and three times victor over Soose, to fight it out for international supremacy. With Zale the winner, that fight definately ended an era of chaos such as boxing had never seen before or since.

Now we have a situation which though not as complicated as was the first muddle, leaves boxing with a double championship—the N.B.A. holding out against the rest of the world in recognition of a legitimate title holder.

That's the main reason why the Fullmer-Robinson fight result is eagerly awaited. There can be no doubt but that the winner will face Pender and the world middleweight mess will be cleared.

Who is the Los Angeles winner likely to be?

If Robbie is to add to his great record and establish a new mark, he will have to score a quick knockout. He can turn the trick within six rounds.

The speed that once made him a fantastic fighter, has left him. His eyes are as sharp as ever. His punching power is still as strong as it was in his heydey, and he remains capable of knocking out any opponent he can tag in the early going.

But in Fullmer he will meet a strong, sturdy bulldog type opponent who, if the fight goes beyond six rounds, should wear Ray down. I look for Gene to retain his N.B.A. title and face Pender for the right to be internationally recognized as world champion.

FAR EAST TO FORE

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some opponent for Saddler before a deep cut over his eye prompted the referee to call a halt in the thirteenth round, after Flash had built up a strong lead over the first ten rounds.

Following the Ursua fight, Perez traveled to Japan where, in a non-title bout on January 16, 1959, he suffered the first loss of his career. Sadao Yaoita defeated him in ten rounds. Perez fought three more bouts in Japan that year, and twice put his crown on the line, first winning a 15-round decision over Kenji Yonekura in Tokyo on August 10, then kayoing his erstwhile conqueror, Yaoita, in thirteen rounds in Osaka on November 5.

The year 1960 has seen a strong swing to the Orient for title challengers. Featherweight champion Davey Moore traveled to Tokyo in August to retain his laurels against Kazauo Takayama in 15 rounds. Four months earlier, bantamweight champion Joe Becerra had decisioned Yonekura in the Japanese capital.

Two new title holders also had been crowned in Oriental rings. The first was Elorde, who became junior lightweight champion by knocking out Harold Gomes in six rounds in Manila in March. Five months later, in San Francisco, Elorde confirmed his previous victory in even more decisive fashion by flattening Gomes in the first round of a return match.

Meanwhile, on April 16, another Thailander, lanky Pone Kingpetch, recorded one of the year's outstanding surprises by outpointing Pascual Perez in fifteen rounds in Bangkok to win the world flyweight title. That Kingpetch is a worthy champion was convincingly evidenced when he battered Perez into defeat in eight rounds of their return match in "neutral" Los Angeles five months later.

The announced retirement of Becerra as bantamweight champion finds Yonekura and Espinosa, who recently fought to a draw in Tokyo, very much in contention for the vacant world title and a tournament should include one or both.

Among the flyweights, the Orient is loaded with top challengers with no less than four men listed among the ten contenders for Kingpetch's crown.

Mitsunori Seki of Japan is regarded by fistic experts in the land of the "Rising Sun" as a better prospect than was either Shirai or Yaoita and his name has been mentioned as the next possible title opponent of Pone. Dommy Ursua who now lives in Stockton, Calif., but who is a native of the Philippines recently defeated Yaoita, but in his last outing was upset by a veteran Philippino Leo Zulueta. Leo has long been regarded as one of the top little men of the Far East.

Elorde rated highly among the lightweight contenders while another Filipino Nursery Kid, Bert Somodio, the Oriental Junior Welterweight champion who has a streak of five straight kayos to gain a place among the elite and Takayama is a leading featherweight challenger.

The past five years have seen the rise of Mexico, South America and Cuba as fistic powers, now the Orient has moved conspicuously into the major scene, while in Europe more and more of the top performers in Britain and France are from various sectors of Africa.

Is the long-time domination of major boxing by the United States nearing its end?

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DUKE HALLOWAY

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"Yes, I know, Duke," I replied, *"I saw you fight in New York. You were one of Jack Dempsey's sparring partners when Jack first came to the big city."*

Asked to tell his story, Duke said:

"I was born in Texas 67 years ago. Yes, I know I look older, but remember, I had my ups and downs—tough days and a few good ones, but mostly tough. You get old looking quickly when you follow my trade.

"It's not like boxing for a few years then giving it up when you find your legs and wind are gone and you no longer can stand the strain of a tough battle, especially against young kids who go all out to show how much better they are than you. I had a test of that and it was then that I decided that I'd take up training and leave the boxing end to these young kids. It's about thirty years ago that I became a trainer and I'm still at it."

Asked how he got started in the game, Duke replied:

"I think it was Harry Wills and old Sam Langford who started me. I was in California in 1914 when Sam and Harry were matched for a 20 round bout at Vernon, and Wills asked me to act as a sparing mate for him. Well I was mighty happy to get the chance and obliged. You know Harry was knocked out by that great Sambo in the fourteenth round, and after the fight I decided I'd go in for the game."

When did he get started? It was in 1915, he said, and his first fight was with Ed Larson. Among others he faced were Kid Norfolk, Battling Norfolk, Gil Dennis, Johnny Watson, Jeff Britten and several dozen others before he entered his new field.

Holloway started his training career in 1932 in the same gymnasium he is now working. He had previously served in the Navy for 17 years. He acted as a coach on the U. S. West Virginia on which ship he was stationed.

During the past few years he has coached many amateurs for the Golden Gloves and A.A.U. tournaments on the Pacific Coast. Among the pro fighters he has trained are Eddie Booker, Chalky Wright, Elmer Ray, Archie Moore, Charley Burley, Jackie Wilson and Deacon Freddie Dixon.

Duke has appeared on many TV shows in which he has portrayed the trainer in fight pictures, among them the Hank Weaver and the Lauro Salas shows.

This year his amateurs won three titles. Thomas Cook won the middleweight crown; Joey Rey, the flyweight and Tommy Peacock, the bantam in the Golden Gloves competition. He has had one or more winners every year except in 1959.

FROM OUR READERS

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LET'S FIGHT NOT TALK

Dear Sir:

I am an ardent fan of boxing and a devoted reader of "The Ring," but I don't like the condition boxing is in at the present time.

For one thing, why isn't Sonny Liston the heavyweight champ? Or why isn't Harold Johnson king of the lightheavies? Why are Benny Paret and Paul Pender still sitting on the thrones of their divisions? These are men I wouldn't even rate in the top ten.

I'll tell you why—because champions don't fight the logical contenders, men who, if they were given a chance, would knock their blocks off! Either that or they don't fight at all, such as the case of Archie Moore (who should have retired years ago) or Ray Robinson, before he finally lost the title. Boxing commissions should have a system whereby they could be in the position to tell the champions who to fight and how often.

Charles Barbrie,
Woonsocket, R. I.

Dear Sir:

A controversy has arisen in this country between boxing fans on the "American lightheavyweight championship of America," which was in existence in the 1920s. Many boxing fans argue that Gene Tunney was the lightheavyweight champion of the world, recognized only by the Americans, a distinction he got by beating Battling Levinsky in January 1922. Could you please give me some information about this title. Why did Tunney and Levinsky meet for this title and exactly what was the purpose.

Levinsky lost his world championship to Carpentier in 1920. Did the Americans refuse international recognition to Carpentier, so therefore matched Tunney and Levinsky for the title. Many boxing fans think that the lightheavyweight division in the nineteen twenties was in the same muddle as the middleweight division is today. Two champions in the same division.

O. P. Hanratty,
England

Ed. Note:—(After Carpentier had won the world title from Levinsky, the New York Commission, to keep up the interest in the division, accepted the Tunney and Levinsky fight as for the American title. At the time, New York and other states each staged championship matches for state titles and the Tunney-Levinsky bout was among them. The present situation differs in that while today there are two claimants for the world title, when Tunney fought Levinsky, Carpentier was the only world recognized champion.

FIGHTING WOMEN

Gentlemen:

Three cheers for Bobbie Jean Mason! Her honest and forthright letter appearing in the "Ring" is not only a tribute to herself as a female athlete, but encouragement for all fight fans who are anxious to see qualified women compete in the ring. I am only sorry that she could not include in her letter descriptions of any of her fights.

J. Van Barlen,
Phila., Pa.

WRESTLING—PHOOEY!

Dear Sir:

Three cheers for Mr. Brazier.

I agree 100% with him when he states that phoney groaners (wrestlers) have no place in a great sports magazine (The Ring).

Please keep it that way and do away with the wrestling section.

Milton E. Drefahl,
Dallas, Texas

THE PRO ATHLETE IN COLLEGE

Gentlemen:

Following the death of Charles Mohr, the Wisconsin University boxer who was fatally injured in the intercollegiate championships, both Wisconsin and Sacramento College abolished the sport. Eddie Lafond, a veteran college referee and pro arbiter and author of a boxing book, in an interview with the press told what he would do to save the sport in the colleges. Eddie was a three letter man at Catholic University and is past chairman of the National Collegiate Athletic Association's boxing rules committee, and because of this, I was surprised at his logic. In part here it what he stated:

"Mismatches are responsible for the present situation. Some boxers are too good to compete in the championships. Some colleges went out and got Golden Gloves winners and top amateurs, men who had too much experience. Their objective was to knock out an opponent and not merely to pile up points.

"To bring boxing back I suggest that we eliminate the superior type boxer to bring college boxing back up the ladder. If the aim of a college is to have the sport bring glory and money to schools, boxing has no place in colleges. I thoroughly believe boxing has educational values. We must put the colleges on an equal footing so far as boxing is concerned. The rules must be rewritten to bar any boy who has boxed prior to entering college."

May I ask why a talented boxer should be penalized for having ability? Would a triple threat football player be asked not to kick the ball so hard or perhaps run a little slower so that the opposition can catch him? Ridiculous. Lafond's plan definitely is worse than having no boxing at all.

Buddy Cy, Boxing Instructor,
Baltimore City Police Department

NOT ALL FIGHTERS END UP BROKE

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made provisions. I say now like I've always said.

"Any first rate fighter can make and save enough to take care of himself later on, if he is lucky enough to handle it right or have somebody handle it for him. As for the old timers around the Twenties and Thirties, none of the good ones should have ever been broke. Even during the depression they made big money with milk ten cents a quart and no taxes to pay.

"Take Al Singer for instance, he's a good example, he made a fortune in hard times, so did Tony Canzoneri. In those days if there had only been some kind of trust fund for them, there would be no such thing as a broke ex-fighter. Believe me, they made it! I know, I worked with all of them. I can also tell you that they spent it in a way they shouldn't have," concluded Mr. Bimstein.

NAT FLEISCHER SAYS:

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zation to stage fights except with the sanction of the commission, under the rules and regulations adopted by the legislatures, with state and government taxes to be collected as is the case now, and with the full quota of officials to take charge.

DETROIT BACK IN BIG TIME

With so many once-flourishing fight centers having faded from the major scene in recent years, it is encouraged to hear of the intelligent schedule being lined up by Nick Londos of Detroit to revive the sport on a big-time scale in the Motor City under the supervision of Bruce Norms, who has taken over the Olympia Arena.

As newly-appointed manager of the completely renovated Olympia, Londos' first move was to add boxing to a busy schedule which includes wrestling, ice carnivals, hockey and other events during the year. It had been three years since a fight card was last staged in the spacious Olympia.

Nobody realized more than Londos what a problem it would be to revive the sport on a major scale there. Local talent was scarce, and any big arena attempting to promote boxing needs outstanding local talent. The only ones available in Detroit were middleweight Henry Hank and lightweight Gene Gresham. They weren't enough. The job confronting Londos was to develop local youngsters. Nick himself didn't have the time to devote to it. He contacted experienced Billy Brown, former matchmaker of Madison Square Garden. Would Brown be interested in taking over the Olympia's boxing program? Billy would.

The first card in the Olympian pitted Gresham against the shifty French-Algerian veteran, Lahounari Godih Brown scouted the Detroit area for the most promising youngsters he could locate for the supporting card. The show, while not exactly a financial success, provided so much interest and excitement that Londos was encouraged to arrange for a small arena where Brown will conduct weekly "new talent" cards, to develop home-town attractions necessary for the major shows in the Olympia, which probably will be held monthly.

"Sure, we'll probably lose money for a while," says Londos, *"but we are confident that our program will eventually produce the results we hope for. Detroit is one of the finest sports cities in the nation. It was a great spot for boxing in the past ,and can become one again. We realize the problem we're up against, but we're sure that in Billy Brown we have the right man for the job. Within a year we expect to have Detroit re-established on the big-time boxing map."*

TRICKS OF THE FISTIC TRADE

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ville, N. Y., as his training quarters, he invited Charley to stay with him. Fusari, in turn, invited his father. Vic Marsillo, who managed Charley, needed no invitation.

One afternoon, a few months after Graziano lost his title, while he was going a few rounds with a sparring partner, Vic and the Fusaris were seated ringside watching the workout. Rocky's manager, Irving Cohen, was seated on the opposite side of the ring. Although Marsillo was speaking in low tones, the light breeze carried his voice to Cohen.

"Look at the sloppy way Rocky's boxin'," Irving heard Vic saying. *"He's slow, has no pep. Looks finished, over the hill. Y' know what, I feel sure Charley can take 'im."*

"Hey, what're you saying!" protested the welterweight in low tones. *"Me, fight Graziano? Hell, that's be like fighting my own father, or brother. Cripes, you know how I feel about Rocky. We don't fight."*

"Listen," Vic told him. *"In boxing a fighter sometimes fights his best friend. That's business. Another thing, Charley: a fighter must meet anyone chosen by his manager."* Marsillo kept talking along those lines—with Irving Cohen secretly listening—until Vic succeeded in convincing father and son that it was okay for Charley to fight his friend and idol. *"Y' see, it's like this: Rocky's ready to be knocked over, an' whoever'll do it will be made,"* pointed out the crafty little manager. *"So why shouldn't it be Charley? Nothin' wrong with that."*

Cohen, a cagy fight pilot, played it cute. He held Vic off for about a month—pretending he didn't want the match. Actually, however, he felt it would be an easy bout for Graziano and a large purse to boot. Gradually he permitted Marsillo to "talk" him into accepting Fusari as an opponent for Rocky. But when Irving mentioned the match to his tiger, Graziano was stunned with astonishment. *"Whatten hell is this, a gag or somethin'?"* he exploded. *"Me an' Charley can't fight each other. Why, he's like a kid brother to me. No, I ain't gonna fight my best friend—an' that's final."*

Just as Marsillo had successfully worked on Fusari, so had Cohen given his protege a snow job—employing a similar brand of convincing argument until, reluctantly, the East Side scrapper consented to fight Fusari, saying, *"Well—if Charley wants the match, okay—I'll take it."*

The contest was held at the Polo Grounds, on Sept. 14, 1949. For nine rounds Rocky fought a dull, uninspired fight. He moved slowly, pawing at his rival instead of hitting him. Fusari, on the other hand, kept piling up points. He'd been hypnotized by Marsillo to do his best to beat his friend—and he was doing just that.

Graziano's mentor, also a "hypnotist", realizing that Rocky was losing the fight, resorted to strategy of his own. *"Look, Rocky,"* he said as Graziano sat in his corner, waiting for the gong. *"The tenth and final round's coming up and you're losing the fight. Now I'm going to tell you something I've been keeping to myself—here it is: About two months ago I overheard Vic Marsillo telling Charley that you're all washed up, a has-been, that you have nothing left and he was sure Fusari can beat you. That, Rocky, is why Vic insisted on making this match. He convinced Charley you'd be a pushover."*

"He did, eh? Vic said all them things?" Rocky's eyes blazed. *"The dirty rat! I'll show 'im if I'm washed up or not! I'll make Marsillo eat his woids!"*

The gong catapulted Graziano from his corner throwing savage blows at Fusari whose face, he later told Cohen, was to him the visage of Marsillo. The former champ gave his friend a terrible beating, holding him by the neck with his left hand and hammering him unmercifully with his right. The crowd stood screaming throughout the two wildly exciting minutes—while Rocky pelted Fusari with zestful wallops, snorting and growling like a beast—until the referee mercifully halted the frightful battle. Thus Graziano won a contest he came close to losing; won it due to his manager's clever scheming.

IN LATIN AMERICA

LA LAGUNA AND THE MEXICAN PROVINCES

By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

ONLY TWO BOXING SHOWS were staged in this territory during the past month, and none in the old Arena of Gomez Palacio. The Dipp Bros. (Gilbert, Mel, Xavier) and their matchmaker, the oldtimer, Manuel "The Bear" Mateos, a former wrestler, kept their doors closed out.

▶**PALACIO DE LOS DEPORTES, TORREON:**—Rodrigo Cortinas is the owner of this small Arena situated around the Venustiano Carranza Wood, a little outdoor place with about 3,000 capacity.

Mr. Cortinas' opening card was as follows: Gregorio "Goyo" Flores, 123, stopped Guillermo "Memo" Ruiz, Monterrey, 125, in the sixth heat. Manuel Favela, 138, also kayoed Saul de la Rosa, 140, in five. Veteran Roberto "Bobby" Silva, 134, starting a comeback campaign, easily whipped Vicente Nuno, 132, in eight rounds. Porfirio "Pilo" Guash, 118, decisioned Salvador Saldana, 120, after six rolls. Juan Jasso, 118, kayoed Manuel Avitia, 119, in the fourth.

▶**AUDITORIUM "CRUZ BLANCA", CHAVEZ:**—Catarino Guerrero, 198, the Big Stream-cable of Torreon, put to sleep Perico Andrade, 183, San Pedro, in the eighth round. Manuel "Chamaco" Castro, 143, kayoed Ray Mejia, 149, also in the round eight. "Chilo" Gallegos, 119, stopped Jose Aranda Jr., 117, in four. Eusebio "Chebo" Salazar, 119, iced Juanito Castaneda, 118, in the third heat.

▶**JUAREZ:**—Ray Terrazas, 145, got the ten round duke over Mike Coronado, 148. Al "Pelucas" Melendez, 140, surprised the gang when he kayoed Fidel Lucero, 143, in the seventh round.

▶**MANTE:**—Vicente Pinon, 130, stopped Kid Terrazas, 128, in two. Ricardo Gonzalez, 120, won by disqualification over Kid Fierritos, 119, in the fourth heat. Nicolas Badillo, 129, stopped Chamaco Castro, 135, in the first round.

▶**JUAREZ:**—Here you have that little border mosquito buzzing again! Edmundo Esparza, 114, maybe the best little flyweight of all Mexico, scored a 3-round knockout over experienced Babe Moe Mario, 115. Before the finish, Esparza floored his Chinese boy three times. In other tener, David Cervantes, 147, kayoed Billy McDonald, 149, in the last round. Manny Barrios, 128, bested Paulino "Kangaroo" Araujo, 130, in six rounds.

▶**CORDOBA:**—"Panterita" Jacome, 125, halted Relampago Kid, 127, in nine after he floored the Kid three times.

▶**VERACRUZ:**—"Cordoba" Rodriguez, 133, kayoed Ricardo "Raton" Vargas, 130, in six.

▶**TAMPICO:**—Raul Barcelo, 120, the best card in town, knocked out Evaristo "Cuervo" Salinas, 117, in the tenth round. Gustavo Sosa, 123, clever as always, whipped Facundo Martinez, 122, La Laguna, in ten rounds. Valentin Rangel, 136, kayoed "ToTo" Cervantes, 133, in four.

▶**DURANGO:**—Santiago "Cain" Rogero, 125, outweighed and outpointed little Ignacio "TunTun" Torres, 119, in ten fast rounds. Agustin "Diablito" Campos, 123, iced Salvador Guerrero, 122, in the fourth heat. Guillermo "Memo" Sanchez, 130, stopped "Negro" Novella, 133, in two rounds.

▶**OBREGON:**—Al Mendoza, 151, embalmed "Chamaco" Lopez, 156, in the sixth round. Texan Hurtado, 146, also kayoed Nacho Lopez, 150, in six.

▶**MEXICALI:**—Monterrey Jose Lopez, 121, beat local idol Wina Vingochea, 118, in ten rounds.

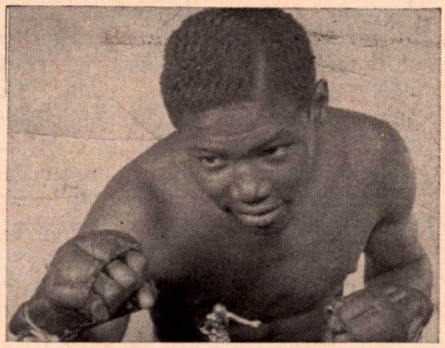
MANTE:—Veracruz's mulatto Aurelio Rergis, 156, put to sleep Jose "Chino" Martinez, 160, in four rounds. "Changa" Magallanes, 118, bested Chato de la Cruz, 121, in the 10-round semi.

▶**QUADALAJARA:** — Lude Lightburn, 138, the Black Orchid from Belize, B.H., returned from United States to start a new campaign in Mexico. You maybe remember that Lude started his fighting career in Mexico City. This time, the man got a 10-round split duke over gallant and rugged Ramon "Bobby" Cervantes, 136. It was a bloody meeting. In the scheduled ten round semifinal, Juanito Lopez, 128, kayoed Bobby Jimenez, 129, in the third round.

▶**ACAPULCO:**—"Chico" Rodriguez, 131, and Fidencio Ramirez, 134, drew after ten rounds. Ernesto Beltran, 126, stopped "Torito" Navarrette, 124, in the seventh heat.

▶**OBREGON:**—Rudy Corona, 121, the Yaqui River Torpedo, kayoed Frankie Silva, 120, in the eighth. Super veteran Jess Bogart, 150, upset Al Mendoza, 149, in ten.

▶**DURANGO:**—Jorge "Zurdo" Salazar, 118, the cute lefty, easily whipped Alex Jimenez, 120, over ten. Marcelo Vargas, 148, kayoed



Ludwig Lightburn, British Honduras lightweight who launched another Mexican campaign with a victory over Ramon (Bobby) Cervantes.

Albino "Pichon" Reyes, 147, in four.

▶**VILLAHERMOSA:**—Miguel Paredes, 123, decisioned Battling Garcia, 127, in ten rounds. "Pelon" Lopez, 125, bested Roman Jimenez, 124, in other tener.

▶**JUAREZ:**—Veteran Eusebio "Chebo" Hernandez, 160, regained the National Middleweight Championship when he kayoed Champ Alfonso Flores, 159, in the seventh round. Flores, a clever boxer, was well ahead on points before the finish, but Chebo nailed his left hook on the Champ's jaw and Alfonso sunk down to lose his title.

In the 10-round semifinal, Raul Leanos, 117, Bantam Champ of La Laguna, resulted too much clever and too much boxer for gallant Jose "Generalito" Galvan, 123. Of course, the little kid brother of Old Juan Leanos got the unanimous decision.

▶**VERACRUZ:**—"Chilango" Sansores, 125, defeated Guadalupe Villanueva, 127, in ten rounds. Felix Martinez, 118, stopped "Toro" Moreno, 117, in the fourth heat.

▶**NOGALES:**—"Remolino" Lugo, 134, upset favorite Jose Luis Cotero, 130, Los Angeles, in ten rounds.

▶**ACAPULCO:**—Ray Ruiz, 117, decisioned "Zurdo" Arce, 116, in ten rounds. Adrian Rojas, 123, stopped Gil Escobar, 125, in the sixth round.

▶**GUADALAJARA:**—Gildo "Paton" Montoya, 135, Lightweight Champ of Jalisco State, kayoed veteran Reyes Lopez, 133, in the 10th round of their Championship match. Reyes, former Champ, visited the canvas two times. Ramiro Rosales, 124, kayoed Jose Chavez, 123, in the fifth heat.

▶**NUEVO LAREDO:**—Tony Lopez, 135, upset Santiago Ramirez, 133, Cuba, in ten rounds.

▶**MONTERREY:**—Tony Jasso, 117, easily whipped Silvestre Martinez, 116, in ten rounds. The defeated one visited the canvas three times.

▶**NAVOJOA:** — Humberto Martinez "Kid Anahuac", 128, had an easy one when he kayoed young Sergio Aranda, 130, in three rounds.

▶**OAXACA:**—Fidel Cruz, 120, bested Jorge Aguilar, 121, in ten rounds.

▶**OAXACA:**—Filiberto "Fili" Nava, 130, former National Featherweight Champion, scored a 5-round kayo triumph over Sammy Serrano, 125. It was a benefit show and, of course, the fans packed the house.

▶**TIJUANA:**—Handsome Boy, Mauro Vazquez, 137, took less than two rounds to stop "Dinamita" Aguirre, 135. Ramon Sarmiento, 124, local newcomer, held Max Huerta, 126, to a 10-round draw. Jesus "Chucho" Hernandez, 114, the hard hitter mosquito, kayoed Baby Rios, 120, in the fourth heat.

▶**JUAREZ:**—Gaspar "Indio" Ortega, 148, kayoed Karl-Heinz Guder, 150, Germany, in the sixth heat. Pedro "Veterra" Rodriguez, 135, decisioned Marcelino Vargas, 140, in eight rounds. Manny Barrios, 125, kayoed Alfonso Mendoza, 126, in the second. Rogelio Dias de Leon, 123, iced Jose "Gira" Hernandez, 125, in the very first round.

▶**VILLAHERMOSA:**—Manuel Esparza, 127, stopped Kid SanLorenzo, 128, in two rounds. "Negrito" Dominguez, 125, bested Manuel Gallegos, 124, in ten.

▶**LEON:**—Luis "Queretaro" Trejo, 128, stopped "Negro" Flores, 130, in nine rounds.

▶**DURANGO:**—Luis "Chamaco" Hernandez, 117, halted Panchito Hernandez, 118, in the third round. Battling Canales, 121, bested Ubaldo Garcia, 123, in ten.

▶**MONTERREY:** — Antonio "Chiquis" Rosales, 128, the clever Acapulco fisher-boy, merrily whipped David Rodriguez Zapata, 127, during the full ten rounds. Benito Vazquez, 123, bested Kid Gallardo, 125, in ten.

▶**ACAPULCO:**—Baby Lopez, 112, stopped Roberto Lopez, 114, in seven. Jesus "Chucho" Castaneda, 120, floored Rolando Martinez, 119, five times and he finished him in the eighth round.

▶**GUADALAJARA:** — Rudy Coronado, 126, kayoed Alberto Martinez, 125, in the sixth heat. Miguel Ulloa, 117, bested Angel Coronado (Rudy's kid brother), 118, in ten rounds.

▶**NUEVO LAREDO:** — "Gallito" Gonzalez, 124, kayoed Bobby Bell, 126, in the eighth round. Sixto SanMiguel, 124, won by disqualification over Timoteo Sanchez, 121, in the eighth heat.

▶**OBREGON:**—Rudy Corona, 118, upset topnotcher Saul Becerril, 114, in ten rounds. Texan Hurtado, 148, stopped Francisco de la Cruz, 155, in two rounds.

▶**TAMPICO:**—Valentin Rangel, 135, bested ToTo Cervantes, 132, in ten rounds. Gregorio Sanchez, 119, outscored Jorge Aliatorre, 118, in ten.

▶**REYNOSA:**—Santiago "Cain" Rogero, 125, easily defeated "Pollo" Gabino, 123, in ten. It seems that this Cain rugged boy will go places if he keeps in the feather class.

▶**VILLAHERMOSA:** — Manuel Garcia, 125, outpointed Kid Macalu, 126, in ten rounds. Perico Pobre, 128, kayoed "Rayo" Martinez, 129, in four.

▶**PIEDRAS NEGRAS:**—"Don" Otilio Galvan, 126, a veteran and former National Flyweight Champion, knocked out Juanillo Hernandez, 128, in five rounds. Two months ago, in Nueva Rosita, Hernandez stopped Otilio in five. It seems that Otilio will soon equal Kid Azteca's record. In the 8-round semifinal, Virgilio Garcia, 128, bested "Chiva" Avila, 130.

▶**PUEBLA:**—Gil Cadilli, 128, the clever little Italian, was too experienced for young Raul Reyes, 126, and won in ten. In the scheduled 10-round semifinal we had something for The Book: Tony Sanchez, 135, and Roberto Ortega, 135, butted each other. Ortega went to the canvas and the refereee started with his count. Suddenly the ringside medical doctor got into the ring and he stopped the fight and the referee awarded Sanchez the bout by a 5-round technical decision.

▶**JUAREZ:**—Bernabe "Baby" Vazquez, 133, former National Lightweight Champion, kayoed Al "Pelucas" Melendez, 139, in the eighth round.

▶**GUADALAJARA:**—Fernando Gomez, 126, bested Moi Torres, 125, in ten rounds. Jesus Celes, 141, outpointed Juan Prieto, 137, in other tener.

▶**VERACRUZ:**—Tony Sanchez, 134, stopped "Muralla" Zamora, 132, in the third round. "Raton" Vargas, 130, upset Enrique Camarena, 132, in ten. Javier Leon, 126, stopped "Chilango" Sansores, 126, in six rounds.

▶**NUEVO LAREDO:**—Jose "Toluco" Lopez, 125, the Wild Indian, had to work a little hard to knockout Oney Mingus, 123, in the eighth round. "Oney" real name is Honorato Dominguez. In the scheduled 10-round semifinal, such Hal Lee, 150, surprised everybody when he kayoed Juan "Bombin" Padilla, 148, National Welter Champ, in the sixth.

▶**AGUASCALIENTES:** — Juan Sanchez, Aguascalientes, 119, stopped Juan Sanchez, Mexico City, 118, in seven rounds. Apolinar Huerta, 149, stopped Babe Castro, 150, in nine.

▶**ACAPULCO:** — Roberto SanMartin, 120, kayoed Salvador "Sapo" Melendez, 117, in the fifth. Adrian Rojas, 123, bested Abel Paredes, 125, in eight.

▶**MONTERREY:**—"Pollero" Garcia, 117, Acapulco, and Jose Lopez, 123, Monterrey, drew after ten rounds. "Chato" Soria, 120, outscored Oscar Lugo, 119, in ten.

▶**TAMPICO:**—Jorge Salazar, 117, the clever Durango southpaw, stopped Miguel Lassus, 116, Cuba, in the seventh. Ignacio "TunTun" Torres, 120, Durango, kayoed Gerardo Cepeda, 123, in six.

NEWS FROM VENEZUELA

By William Albert

AT CARACAS: BEFORE A CROWD THAT PAID $33,500 IN THE NUEVO CIRCO, ranked Carlos Hernandez, 134, won by a TKO over Bobby Ross, 135, of Spain. Referee Crispulo Salazar halted this battle in the 6th due to a cut eye and nose suffered by Ross.

Ramon Arias, 114, knocked out Frankie Jones, 115, of England, in the seventh round.

, Bantamweight Champ Nelson Estrada defeated Dwight Hawkins (USA) in ten rounds.

Guillermo "Chicharrita" Medina was down once but won over Francisco Barraez in ten. (Lightweights). — Enrique Tovar kayoed Pedro Buckjones, 147, in two rounds. Jose Carrasco, 128, outpointed Ruben Mujica, 126, in four.

▶**At Maracaibo**—On a card promoted by "Deportistas Unidos", Jose Castellanos, promising featherweight, defeated Orlando Castillo "Gallito del Ring" in ten rounds. Cristobal Gonzalez, 126, of Cuba outpointed Luis Moreno in ten.

▶**At Valera**—Antonio Kirso, 119, defeated Arnulfo Pedreros, 115, of Colombia in ten rounds. Fernando Ramirez halted Babby

Colon of Panama in six rounds. (Lightweights). Valmore Anez, 132, won over Black Bill in eight. Alfredo Lujan kayoed Rafael Castillo, 126, in first round. Jorge Uzcategui, 118, outpointed M. Hernandez, 117, in four.

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BOXING IN ARGENTINE
By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porzio

MENDOZA.—In the welter class, Samuel Carmona outpointed Humber Gonzalez in 10 and Omar Tissera, light heavyweight, kayoed Horacio Ferrari in two.

▶**BAHIA BLANCA.**—Guillermo Hermosilla, lightweight, drew in 8 rounds with Teddy Caruso and in the feather class, Carlos Carmelo drew in 10 with Aldo Gomez.

▶**RASARIO.**—Guillermo Hairasoa, middleweight, kayoed Juan C. Benitez in the third, and hard-puncher Miguel Angel Aguero kayoed Oscar Miranda at the "Norte" Stadium in 9.

In the "Sud" Stadium, on the same night, featherweight Santos Molina, drew in 10 with Felix Ramos.

▶**BUENOS AIRES.**—In the "Luna Park" ring, welterweight Ricardo Faleeh, outpointed yanqui Ted "Farmer" Wright in 10.

▶**SANTA ROSA.**—In the middle class, Hestor Mora lost in 10 rounds to Hugo Danielli.

▶**MAR DEL PLATA.**—In the "Bristol" ring, middleweight Ubaldo Sacco won by a T.K.O. in the fifth over Roberto Carbajal.

▶**TARTACAL (Salta).**—Argentine middleweight champion FARID SALIM kayoed Roberto Veliz in three.

▶**Buenos Aires.**—In the flyweight class at the "Luna Park" ring, Horacio Accavallo kayoed Julio Barrera, from Chile, in the third.

▶**BAHIA BLANCA.**—In the feather class, Joaquin De Sousa outpointed Raul Jaime in ten.

▶**ROSARIO.** At the "Sud" ring, welterweight Juan C. de Lujan Flores won by a T.K.O. in the third round over Omar Vivanco and in the "Norte" ring of the same city the same night, lightweight Alberto Gomez, drew in 10 with Lucas Robledo.

▶**TUCUMAN.**—In the welter class, Emilio Ale kayoed Dario Martines in two.

▶**RESISTENCIA.**—Ramon La Cruz, welter, won by a T.K.O. in 9th over Gumersindo Rajoy.

▶**SANTA ROSA.**—In the feather class, ex-Argentine and South American bantam champion Roberto Castro, won by a T.K.O. in the seventh over Roberto Arraigada.

▶**ROSARIO.**—Raul Roldan, the champ, drew in 12 rounds in a welter title bout with Pedro Almagro, at the "Norte" ring.

▶**JUJUY.**—In the bantam class, a good prospect, Jose Salvatierra, won by a T.K.O. in fifth round over Manuel Peralta.

▶**MAR DEL PLATA.**—At the "Bristol" ring, in the middle class, Esteban Caprani and Anibal Cordoba drew in 10.

▶**SALTA.**—In the flyweight class, Jose Romero ("Kid Josesito") drew in 10 rounds with Justo Mendez.

▶**RIO CUARTO.**—"Kid" Roldan, lightweight, won by a T.K.O. in the ninth round over Santiago Diaz.

▶**ROSARIO.—At the "Sud" ring** in the light class, Juan Carlos de Lujan Flores won by a T.K.O. in third round over the veteran Omar Vivanco.

▶**BUENOS AIRES.—At the Luna Park ring.** Argentina top ranking lightweight Manuel Alvarez drew in 10 rounds with "Nico" Loche. We disagreed with the verdict.

▶**BUENOS AIRES.—At the "Luna Park" ring** in bantam bout, ex-Argentine and South American bantam champion Roberto Castro lost in 10 rounds to Roberto Palavecino.

LA RIOJA.—At the "Independiente" ring, in the light class, Oscar Lescano kayoed Martin Aguero in the third.

▶**TUCUMAN.**—In the "Defensores de Villa Lujan" ring, undefeated welter Antonio De Leo drew in 10 rounds with Alejandrino Rojas and in middleweight bout, Jose Eccli drew in 10 rounds with Alberto Billaflor.

▶**MENDOZA.**—In the fly devision, at the "Pacifico" ring, Hurbieta Sosa and Justo Mendez drew in 10 rounds.

▶**BUENOS AIRES.—At the "Luna Park" ring** and for the Argentine middle title, Farid Salim, the champ, outpointed Ubaldo Sacco in 12 and successfully defended his title.

▶**AGUILARES.**—In the welter class, Antonio De Leo outpointed Ricardo Toledo in 10.

▶**BUENOS AIRES.—At the "Luna Park" ring** and for the Argentine light title, Jaime Gine (the champion) drew in 12 rounds with Vicente Derado. Gine won on points in an intensely disputed contest.

▶**BUENOS AIRES.—At the "Luna Park" ring,** and in the welter division, Juan Carlos Duoay and Juan Carlos Velardez drew in 10 rounds.

BOXING IN MONTEVIDEO
By Mario Laplume

▶**Palacio Penarol**—Julio Mesias, Uruguay, 156, decisioned Juan C. Diaz, Argentina, 160, 4 rounds. Federal Magarinos, Urugay, 157, drew in 6 with Victor Cordoba, Argentina, 151. Santos Pereyra, Uruguay, 151, kayoed Antonio Repollo, Argentina, 154, in 9.

▶**Palacio Penarol**—Julio Rocha, Uruguay, 143, decisioned Alfredo Fernandez, Argentina, 154, 4 rounds. Gualberto Fernandez, Urugay, 134, beat Hector Tula, Argentina, 135, in 6. Walter Villanueva, Uruguay, 143, drew with Sixto Figuera, Argentina, 144, in 10. Luis Magarinos, Uruguay, 143, beat Omar Pereyra, Uruguay, 143, in 10.

BOXING IN BRITISH GUIANA
By George C. Beckles

AT THE GEORGETOWN FOOTBALL CLUB GROUND, Caesar Barrow, 131, lightweight champion, of British Guiana, won a return match against Emelio Sanchez, 133, British Honduras, this time by T.K.O. in the eighth round. Barrow won the first fight in August when Sanchez failed to answer the bell for the fifth round.

James Spencer, 141¼, won a point decision over Charles Chandler, 140, over six rounds. Linton John, 135, stopped Lloyd Richardson, 132, in the first round. Lennox Beckles, 135, drew with D. Ralph, 128, in the first scrap of the night.

BOXING IN TRINIDAD, W.I.
By George C. Beckles

AT THE NEW BOXING STADIUM, matchmaker George C. Beckles brought together Kelvin Scott, 155, Trinidad's No. 1 middleweight, against Evelio Rios, middleweight champion of Venezuela, 159, and a packed stadium saw very little action in the main bout. Rios used a left jab throughout the fight and lost by the narrowest of margin.

Sugar Boy Green, 149, jabbed and punched his way to victory in 8 rounds over Melville Bennett, 151, in an action packed bout that ended in a split decision.

Sixto Montano, top bantamweight, won a point decision over Roy Singh, over 8 rounds.

Elton Hinds won an unanimous decision over Mervyn Walcott in a six rounder. Both boys came in as bantamweights.

BOXING IN SAO PAULO AND IN RIO DE JANEIRO
By Renato Pires and Henrique Matteuci

BOXING IN THE IBIRAPUERA GYMNASIUM WAS RESUMED HERE in September with a good card. In the feature attraction Sebastiao Nascimento, Brazilian feather and lightweight champion, won from Carlos Estrada of Argentina in 10 rounds. Previous to this, Estrada had defeated Ricardo Gonzales, top ranking feather.

In the semi-final Felipe Cambeiro outpointed the Uruguaian, Jorge Andina in ten. This, like the main event, was a good contest. Euclides Queiroz, outpointed Luis Colorafo Pires in ten. They are welters.

In another bout, a feather contest, Leonidas Sacoma won from Antonio P. de Silva in six rounds on points.

▶The following bouts were staged in Rio de Janeiro—

At the Tv-Rio Auditorium, welter Laudelino Batista of Sao Paulo, outpointed Argentinian Robero, in 10 rounds.

Welterweight Celestino Pinto, Number One challenger for Fernando Barreto's crown, decisioned Argentinian Alfredo Paz in 10.

Featherweight Acir Sereno of Rio de Janeiro, kayoed Claudio Silva of Sao Paulo, in the first round.

IBIRAPUERTO GYMNASIUM—South American and Brazilian champion bantam, Eder Jofre, added to his triumphs by stopping the Argentinian title holder, Ricardo Moreno, in the fifth round. A deep cut caused the commission physician to order the bout halted during the intermission between the fifth and sixth rounds.

Jose Walcott Assuncao kayoed Juan Pizarro, Argentine, in the third. They are welters.

Etelvino Lima, lightweight, outpointed Benedito Paulino in the sixth, and welter, Aristides Antonio, stopped Aparecido dos Santos, in the sixth round.

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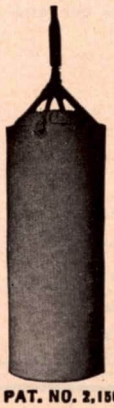

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FROM THE PHILIPPINES
By Felipe J. C. Galang

ROCKY KALINGO, 141½, FORMER WELTERWEIGHT CHAMPION OF THE PHILIPPINES, took only 1.47 of the first round to dispose of Omsap Laemfapha, 139½, of Thailand at the Besa Boxing Arena. At the start of the round, Kalingo jabbed, followed by a right that missed and received a right to the body by the Thai. The Filipino again led a left, followed with a right that landed squarely to the jaw of his rival and sent him slumping on the floor, cold as an iceberg.

Angel Boy, 121, halted Omnoi Laemfapha, 123, kid brother of Omsap, in the 3rd round. The Thai absorbed so much punishment in two rounds and with cuts inside his mouth, bleeding nose and badly-stung eyes, decided to give up. It was a sad night for the foreigners from Thailand.

Danny Brown, 124, halted Abel Aguila, 125, in 6. Galy Goyena, 111, kayoed Speed Garcia, 113, in 3. Ernie Magbanua, 120, drew with Boy Agarao, 124, in 6. Medina, 120, knocked out Frank Villegas, 122, in 1. Lex Sande, 114, bested Remy Jr., 117, in the 4 round curtain raiser.

▶ Leo Zulueta, 112, upset world rated Dommy Ursua, 112, in 10 rounds at the CYO gym of Davao City. The bullying tactics of Ursua failed against a counter puncher and was surprised to find himself on the canvas in the 3rd round without a count. Veteran Leo had easily solved the aggressiveness of his rival.

Warrior Mangubat, 120, stopped Rush Robles, 118, in 5. Joe Espinosa, 118, drew with Speed Dart, 118, in 6. Rocky Mangubat, 112, decisioned Rush Roble Jr., 111, in 4. Smiling Kid, 115, decisioned Star Guido, 117, in 4 rounds. Rush Sayaw, 120, bested Star Gorme, 121, in the 4 round opener.

▶ Ben de Villa, 133, newly arrived fighter from Iligan City of the southern island, made an impressive initial appearance before the Manila crowd when he halted Terry Rebolado, 133, in the 4th round at the Downtown YMCA. The promotion was presented by the local Chinese Community for the benefit of the disabled members of their organization. Paulito Escarlan, 132, kayoed Abel Aguila, 131, in the 3rd round of a scheduled 10. Chong Hai, 120, won over La Loma Kid, 121, in 6. Ernie Paredes, 120, bested San Juan Boy, 119, in another 6 rounder. Speed Olivera, 110, stopped Abraham Kid, 111, in 3. Ray Mario, 114, drew with Ric de Jesus, 115, in 4. Ric Ibanes, 110, knocked out Al Arevalo, 112, in the 3rd.

▶ Army Wonder Boy, 126, stopped Carl Baldwin, 122, of Ontario, Canada in 2.44 of the 8th at the Besa Boxing Arena. The youthful Canadian proved no match for the battler from the Philippine Military Academy who had his man down twice.

Romy Sison, 112, halted Thai Tuksin Laemfapha, 112, in 2nd round. Tuksin claimed to have a dislocated shoulder and acting upon the advice of the stadium physician, gave in. Marcel Juban, 112, defeated Ely Relucio, 111, in 8 rounds. Dommy Felicia, 118, kayoed Max Florece, 124, in 4. Tim Chico, 113, knocked out Lory Articulo, 112, in 1. Leo Regaspi, 105, drew with Jessie Fernandez, 160, in 4. Jet Morgan, 120, lost to Dory Articulo, 118, in 4 round opening.

▶ Yukio Katsumata, 128, of Japan stopped Little Cezar, 128, featherweight champion of the Philippines in the 6th round of a non-title bout at the Rizal Coliseum. A cut over the Filipino's right eye was caused by a right uppercut. The referee, Raymundo Fernando, claimed that the cut was caused by punches and not with a head as complained by the seconds of the Filipino title-holder.

Young Terror, 131, kayoed Benji Sakai, 131, of Japan in the very 1st round. At the sound of the bell, the Filipino came out of his corner and smashed the Japanese with a right to the face sending him to the floor for an 8 count. Sakai stood up but was met with a left to the chin and made his second trip to the canvas. The Japanese tried to get up at the count of 8 but his legs gave way and he rolled back to the floor for keeps.

Terry Flore, 142, and welterweight champion of the Philippines won the 10 round decision over Takao Maemizu of Japan. The Japanese had been floored in the 7th round without a count. This was the dullest fight of the evening. Pacifico Aranas, 121, won over Dony Tesoro, 121, in 6. Little Narding, 114, bested Mario Chaves, 114, in another 6 rounder. Leo Enoveso, 113, outpointed Dio Espinosa, 112, in the 4 round curtain raiser.

▶ Kelichi Ishikawa, 141, and lightweight champion of Japan, defeated Ted (Red Top) Davis, 135, in a slow 10 round main event at the Besa Boxing Arena. These two foreign fighters in the middle of the Philippine ring had shown nothing of their achievements in their records. It was only the aggressiveness of the Japanese that earned him the unanimous decision.

Ray Asis, 118, won over Takeo Suzuki, 118, of Japan, in 10 rounds supporting main event. This bout had outshined the main attraction of the evening, when they slugged it out in the center of the ring for the full 10 rounds with the Filipino receiving the upper hand. Although there was no knockdowns but the Japanese suffered a smashed mouth and nose.

Blit Najar, 135, kayoed Slugger Joe, 136, in 1:21 of the 4th round. Cisco Kid, 118, disposed of Boni Del Monte, 116, in the very first round of a scheduled 6. Marcel Juban, 114, halted Al Padilla, 113, in 2. Pete Regala, 109, and Star Pancho, 110, drew in the curtain of 4 rounds.

▶ Flash Menny, 126, kayoed Rocky Sator, 126, in the 4th round at the Calumpit Square Garden, Calumpit, Bulacan, under the promotion of Jimmy Castro, former welterweight contender of the Philippines, who is now a promoter in Central Luzon. This bout was for the featherweight championship of Bulacan province as approved by the Games and Amusements Board.

Fernando dele Pena, 126, of Hagonoy, Bulacan, stopped Jimmy Boy, 126, of Calumpit in the 2nd round. Steve Gaudy, 124, of Malate, Manila, halted Flash Del Mar, 126, in 3. Cris Menny, 114, and Star Emog, 114, of Calumpit, drew in 4. Nestor Vargas, 112, knocked out Baby Fermin, 112, in 1. Amang Junior, 111, won over Smile Dommy, 110, in the 4 round opener. With proper management and equal matching, this stadium has a very bright future as Calumpit is the center of its neighboring towns of Bulacan and Pampanga provinces. Cheer up, Jimmy, and make the best out of it for the name of the town of Calumpit, the beloved town of yours and mine.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Jack Waina

THE TITLE HOPES OF HAMMERIN' HENRY HANK were temporarily derailed when the Detroit middleweight KO artist was forced to come from behind to gain a draw with Jesse Smith at Chicago, then dropped the rubber match with Hank Casey at San Francisco when a late rally failed to pull the duke out of the fire.

▶ **Gene Gresham, Michigan lightweight and welterweight champion,** defeated his most experienced opponent to date in Lahouari Godih, of Algeria, in the ten round headliner reopening Olympia Stadium to boxing once again. But, five days later Gresham was defeated by Eddie Perkins in a nationally televised attraction originating from Chicago.

Against Godih, a clever boxer, Gene set up the former French champion beautifully with his talented left hand and took over almost complete control of the bout by the mid-way mark. Then, to leave no doubt as to the best man, Gresham finished the last two rounds very impressively, throwing right hands that found their mark repeatedly. Godih was a tired and weary battler at the finish.

In the Olympia six round semi-final attraction a couple of Detroiters, Ernest "Sonny" Hill, 164½, and Clarence Riley, 13, put on as thrilling a battle seen here in some time. Both battlers stood toe-to-toe and traded punches much to the delight of everyone present. While the official decision was a draw, it appeared as if Riley had the edge.

Harry Command, 157, Detroit, won his fifth bout in six starts (four KO's) when Joe Flowers, 158, Detroit, couldn't answer the bell for the fourth round. Flowers made a game try after being dropped twice for nine counts in the first round of a wild and wooly slugfest. Joe Watts, 152, Detroit, repeated an earlier win over Doug MacLeod, 156, Grand Rapids, this time by KO at :20 of the third round.

Sonny Banks (The Big "D" Monster), 193, Detroit, continues to look like one of the best young heavies in the country. He dropped Rufus Hanson, 205, Youngstown, Ohio, for the full count at 2:47 of the opening round. It was Banks' fifth straight victory and fourth KO, three have been in the first round.

Dave Merritt, 139¾, Detroit, had an easy time scoring his second straight KO over Wes Ramey Jr., 137, Grand Rapids, at 2:55 of the second.

▶ **BEHIND THE HEADLINES** . . . C. W. Smith's promising welterweight Billy Collins has returned from the West Coast where he ran his record to 23 victories in 26 starts, with 18 by way of knockout. Collins will resume his campaigning locally and throughout the East.

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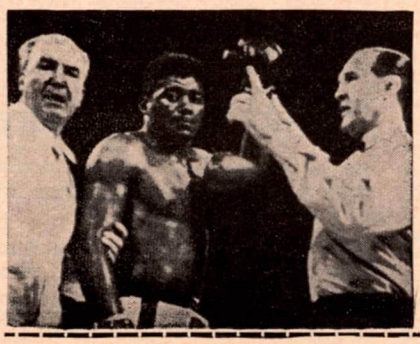

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JOE BROWN STILL HAS IT

By *IKE MORALES*

(Special to The Ring Magazine)

HOUSTON, Tex.—They said he was relegated to the scrap heap. A sure bet to get his bumps once he faced an opponent with bull-dogged aggressiveness and carrying destruction in his fists.

But, Joe Brown proved these Doubting Thomases wrong. "Ole Bones," nearly 35, proved it so convincingly when he gunned down Raymundo (Battling) Torres, the 19-year-old Mexican dynamiter, in 2 minutes, 24 seconds of the fourth round. The international affair was held Tuesday, October 4, in Houston's massive Coliseum.

Fact of the matter is, the lightweight champion never looked more impressive, more sure of himself, more confident in beating the Border Blaster since Joe dethroned Wallace (Bud) Smith four years ago in New Orleans.

Immediately after the Torres kayo, Lou Viscusi, manager of the champion, met with George Parnassus, Los Angeles promoter, and signed for a title match between Brown and Cisco Andrade for Los Angeles. Negotiations were nearly completed.

It was to be Brown's ninth title defense and his first since stopping Dave Charnley last December in Houston.

Prior to the Brown fight, Torres had given Paul Jorgensen, another Texas idol, a whipping in 10 rounds. This victory boosted the Mexican's win string to 35 in 37 fights, most of them by knockouts. And, because of his contrasting syle, and punch and aggressiveness, was given lots of support at the ringside. They figured the Hot-Tamale had the necessary tools to upset the champion and thereby clinch a title bout later, since the October affair was one at catch-weights.

But the picture changed in a hurry. It was a case of teacher versus pupil, with Professor Brown, the 34-year-old vet, giving an artistic lesson to 19-year-old Torres, not only in the art of boxing, but the knack of punching as well.

Once the champion dropped his B-Bomb on Torres' chinaware, no one was more convinced of Joe's mastery than the Mexican. The popular Reynosa lightweight, whose supporters came in droves to see the fight, had nothing but praise for "Ole Bones," and admitted he (Torres) was one or two years removed from title contention.

Brown said he had a dream the night before that Torres would be knocked out in the third with a left hook to the jaw, but was satisfied it lasted one more round and that the convincer was a right to the kisser.

Brown, who weighed 136 pounds to 139 for his opponent, appeared unconcerned as to the outcome—even when Torres was putting the heat on with a relentless body attack to win the second and third rounds.

The champion took the first in easy fashion, dropping Torres with a right that sent the visitor on all fours. The Mexican was up at "seven," and cleared his head of the cobwebs while pressing the attack to the champion. Torres continued the body bombardment to win the second and third as Joe seemed to be sizing up the situation, evading whatever heavy blows came flying to his jaw.

Brown, coming out for the fourth, took things into his own hands. While slipping head shots tossed by Torres, the latter became a bit reckless. He tore into the champion, leaving his face unguarded. Joe found the target and let go with a BANG!

Torres fell flat on his face. He tried to beat the count of Referee Jimmy Webb, but it was no use. Perhaps, it was a good thing Torres didn't get to his feet before "10," for another right may have been devastating.

Approximately 4,000 fans paid close to $20,000 gross to see the international lightweight attraction.

A Correction

On August 22, Dick Young, undefeated Philadelphia middleweight, knocked out Heyward Johnson in the fourth round on the Joe Salci vs Stephan Redl card promoted by Jim Riggio.

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The dapper looking gent on the left is Benny Bass, Philadelphia's pride of the "Roarin Twenties". Benny held the featherweight title in 1926-27. (Above) The "Toy-Bulldog", Mickey Walker, has his headgear tightened by his manager, Doc Kearns, while in training for his fight with Max Schmeling in 1932.

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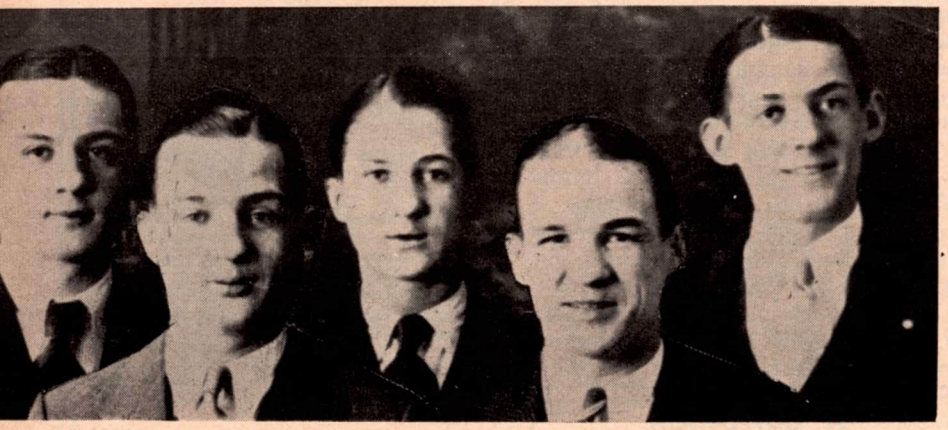
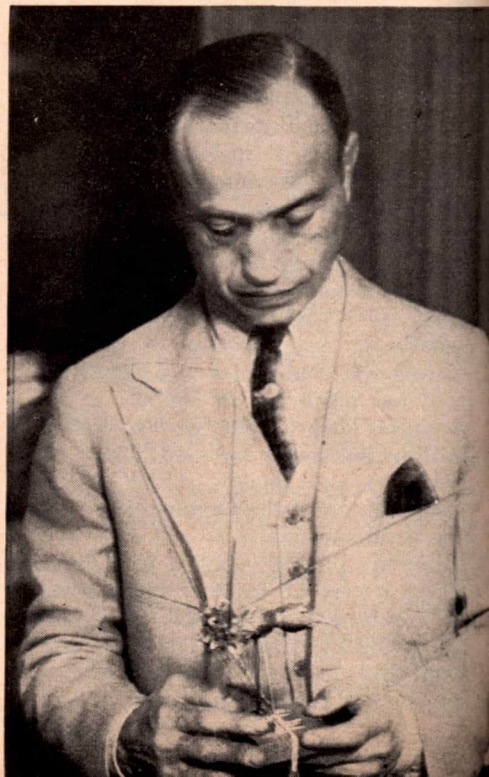


(Above) The five fighting Zivic brothers of Pittsburgh—left to right—Joe, Fritzie, who held the welterweight title, Eddie, Jack and Pete.



(Right) Leach Cross, the Brooklyn lightweight favorite who gave up his practice as a dentist to become a salesman after the ring career was over.

IN OLD NEW ENGLAND
By Don Hamill

PROVIDENCE—R. I. Auditorium—Willie Greene, 159¾, Providence, re-won the New England middleweight title when he defeated Mickey Dwyer, 158¾, Dorchester, in a highly interesting 12 round bout. The decision was unanimous, Greene was the aggressor throughout. There was one knockdown, that in the fifth when a right to the head shook Dwyer, Greene quickly followed with a right to the jaw to drop Dwyer to his hands and knees for an eight count.

Kenny Tavares, 135, New Bedford, used a left jab to advantage to upset Jimmy Kelly, 136½, Lowell, in the eight round semi-final. Kelly was making his first start in 15 months. Johnny Bean, 131, Brooklyn, had too much know-how and turned back Frank Talifero, 135, Hartford, by a unanimous six round decision. Eddie Grenke, 145, Southbridge, outpointed Don Vincent, 147, Providence, in a six spot.

▶**BOSTON—Arena**—Larry Boardman, 139, Clearwater, Fla., cut down Pat McCarthy, Jr., 135, Mattapan, with left hooks to the body and by shifting his attack later in the bout to the head. McCarthy was down four times from the hooking—once in the 4th, twice in the 6th, and again in the 7th. In the 9th, Boardman was hitting the then defenseless McCarthy at will when Referee Eddie Bradley jumped between them and called a halt.

Johnny Twohads, 192½, Roxbury, needed but 24 seconds to dispose of Marty Condon, 204, Merrick, N. Y. A left hook to the jaw spilled Condon for the full count. James J. Connors, 154½, Sharon, had a stiff fight on his hands in gaining a six round duke over Buddy Cooper, 151½, Tampa, Fla. Gene Fosmire, 130½, Boston, had to come off the deck to gain a six round draw with Ray Wallace, 133½, Brooklyn. Jackie Wilson, 150½, flattened Walter Giles, 156, Boston, in the second of the four round curtain raiser.

▶**PROVIDENCE—R. I. Auditorium**—Wild Willie Greene, 160½, Providence whose style is less erratic than in his earlier days, outboxed Butch Craig, 154, Bridgeport, and was ahead on points when Dr. James Flanagan ruled the Nutmegger out at the start of the fifth round because of a cut on his left eye. There had been one knockdown, that in the fourth when a right to the jaw spilled Craig.

Mercer "Tiger" Smith, 131½, Providence, eked out a close split six round decision over Carmelo Acevedo, 127, Hartford, in the semi-final. It was a freeswinging affair that thrilled the fans. Don Vincent, 147, Providence, halted Myrel Olmstead, 142, Springfield, in the fifth round of their sixer. Gary Kelly, 139, Springfield, stiffened Tony Caruolo, 145, Providence, with a right uppercut in the fourth. Collier Hester, 163, Brockton, flattened Ed Berry, 167, Scitico, Conn., in the first.

▶**BOSTON—Arena**—Joe DeNucci, 167, Newton, brought his right hand into play and handed Harold "Babe" Simmons, 167, Westbury, N. Y., his first defeat in their ten round contest. Although neither fighter was shaken it was DeNucci's right which consistently found the mark, particularly in the final heat when he scored five times in a row.

Johnny Twohads, 190, Roxbury, continued to be impressive by beating Abe Davis, 199, Hartford, in the eight round semi-windup. James J. Connors, 154, Sharon, racked up win number 12 when Eddie Scurlock, 156, New York, was unable to answer the bell for the third round. Gene Fosmire, 130, Boston, whipped Al Salzillo, 130, Providence, in four heats. In the opener, Willie Moore, 147¼, Paterson, N. J., halted Tony Hernandez, 143, Hartford, in the third round.

CLEVELAND NEWS
By Harold Walsh

THE FALL BOXING SEASON opened with the first of the amateur shows at the Cleveland Athletic Club. Johnny Papke, former middlewight and for many years a trainer of boxing in Cleveland, is again making the matches.

▶Jimmy Dunn, age 78 and manager of featherweight champion Johnny Kilbane, Bryan Downey, Carl Tremaine, Cal Delaney and many others, is living in Cleveland and doing well. Jimmy was quite a lightweight—he came to Cleveland from New Castle, Pa. where he was managed by the late Jimmy Dime. Dunn fought ten years from 1900 to 1910. He fought a 15 round draw with Abe Attel and a 20 round draw with Freddie Welsh. His greatest victory was a nine round knockout over Clarence Forbes in Hot Springs, Va.

Danny Dunn, another Clevelander, no relation to Jimmy, is also doing well. Danny is 77. He was a good bantamweight boxer but better known as the manager of Johnny Risko.

IN AND AROUND PHILADELPHIA
By Archie Pirolli

KNOCKOUTS WERE SCORED BY LIGHTWEIGHTS LEN MATTHEWS AND KENNY LANE IN A SPECTACULAR FASHION ON PROMOTER HERMAN TAYLOR'S FIRST INDOOR SHOW OF THE SEASON AT THE ARENA.

Matthews, Philadelphia's No. 3 ranking lightweight contender, knocked out Jorge Quintero, 142-pounder from Panama, in the sixth round. Len, weighing 138, pressed Quintero throughout the fight, knocked him down with a crashing right to the stomach, then drove a left hook and a right to the jaw and Jorge took a mandatory eight-count. Jorge tried desperately to fight back, but Len hammered him against the ropes, dropped him again with a left hook to the jaw for "nine", and the referee wisely called it a halt.

Lane, Muskegon, Mich., lefthander, weighing 139, stopped Sidney (Sweet Pea) Adams, Philadelphian who weighed 137, in the first round. With his right eye slightly cut, Lane slugged Adams into the ropes with a right hook. Back in the ring, Sidney took an eight-count near the round's end. Hands down, he was smashed down again by Lane's left cross, and rolled back, out cold, into the ring.

Joe (Sugar Baby) Smith, 151, won a nip-and-tuck sizzler over Vince Witherspoon, 151, in a four rounder and Harold Boyer, 163, won over Herbert Powers, 157, in four.

Bruce Gibson, 151, defeated Johnny Alford, 151, in eight rounds.

▶**Cambria Club**—A final round rally by Young Steve Traitz, 166, Philadelphia, fell short as veteran Chico Corsey, 165, Chester, Pa., won a split decision in Promoter Steve Tomassi's first indoor show of the season which drew 717 fans for gross of $1,770.

In other bouts, Honey Hunter, 138, Philadelphia, drew with Honey Boy Williams, 138, Philadelphia (four rounds); Al Carsello, 142, Phila., TKO'd Leroy Bell, 139, Philadelphia, in the first round; Dennis Hefferman, 163, Phila., knocked out Johnny Mohnke, 169, Norristown, Pa., in the third round; Kid Williams, 125, Baltimore, decisioned Rick Conti, 128, Philadelphia (four); George Hoffman, 163, Philadelphia, knocked out Bill Brown, 166, Philadelphia, in the fourth round.

NEWS FROM TORONTO, CANADA
By Jacques Tachaner

AT THE FORUM IN HAMILTON, ONTARIO, UNBEATEN HAMILTONIAN, EDDIE BEATTIE, won the vacant Canadian lightweight championship by defeating Bobby Hamilton of Edmonton, Alberta, in the fifth round of a scheduled twelve rounder. It was a one-sided contest throughout and the Westerner took a severe shellacking. Beattie floored his man three times in the third, once in the fourth and twice more in the fifth before the referee halted the slaughter at 1:05 of the round. Hamilton was as game as they come but he could not take Beattie's crisp shots to the body, which alone accounted for five of the six knockdowns. The new title holder tipped the scales at 133½ to 131½ for Hamilton.

In the prelims, four Toronto boys saw action. The results were: Peter Schmidt, 146½, Toronto took a six round unanimous decision over Sonny Forbes, 145, also of Toronto. Sabato Bernadelle, 147½, Toronto won a four round split decision over Sam Perandick, 148, of Hamilton, and Ferdinand Chretien, 136½, Toronto won his ninth in ten starts by registering a T.K.O. win at 2:58 of the sixth over Willie Cooper, 137, of Wheeling, West Virginia. In another bout Willie Yankovich, 178, Hamilton scored a unanimous four round decision over Jim Berdis, 179½, of Erie, Pa.

MINNESOTA NEWS
By Bill Colbert

DEL FLANAGAN, 155, ST. PAUL MIDDLEWEIGHT, knocked out Johnny Nieman, 157, Madison, S. D., in the second round of a ten-rounder at Sioux Falls, S. D., before an estimated crowd of 2,000 people. Flanagan floored Nieman twice in the second round before finishing him off with a right uppercut.

▶The Minnesota Athletic Commission submitted its list of State Champions and contenders in all weights, as follows:

HEAVYWEIGHT—Champion: None. Contenders: Don Quinn and Hastings Hart, St. Paul, and Jerry Bailey, Minneapolis.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT—Champion: Bob Daniels, Minneapolis. Contenders: Jim Beard, Minneapolis.

MIDDLEWEIGHT—Champion: Del Flanagan, St. Paul. Contenders: Duane Horsman, Chatfield; Lee Ballard, St. Paul; and Jim Shaw, Minneapolis.

WELTERWEIGHT—Champion: Glen Flanagan, St. Paul. Contenders: Don Weller, St. Paul, and Bobby Anderson, Kenyon.

LIGHTWEIGHT — Champion: Harlow Irwin, Minneapolis. Contenders: Art Wilburn, Minneapolis; Jerry Mullen, Caledonia, and Bobby Mihm, Rochester.

FEATHERWEIGHT — Champion: None. Contenders: George Reiter, Minneapolis; Dennis Nelson and Kid Chocolate, St. Paul; and Norm Kuka, Duluth.

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By JERSEY JONES

"HAVE just finished reading your interesting feature on the late Jimmy Slattery and the many other 'child prodigies' of Irish extraction who became outstanding fighters," writes that shifty bantamweight of yesteryear, Earl Puryear, now a sprightly 72, living in Omaha.

"The sons and nephews of the Ould Sod may have dominated boxing in the old days, but they had no monopoly on great ringmen who began their careers in the early or mid-'teens, and were established headliners before reaching voting age.

"Such distinguished Jewish mechanics as Abe Attell, Benny Leonard, Battling Levinsky, Lew Tendler, Charley White, Willie Jackson and Charley Goldman were in the 15-16-year bracket when they started. So were two Britishers, also Jewish—Ted Kid Lewis and Jack Kid Berg.

"The Italians produced quite a crowd of notable ringmen who began when they were 15 and 16. Johnny Dundee, Pete Herman and Tony Canzoneri were only three of them.

"Battling Nelson, a Dane, was 14 when he fought his first fight. Kid Williams, another Dane, was 16.

"The French idol, Georges Carpentier, was only 13. Another prominent Frenchman, Charley Ledoux, was 16.

"Owen Moran of England began at 15. Mexican Joe Rivers was 16. Austrian-born Charley Weinert was fighting main events at 16. Two good fighters of German descent, Frank Klaus and K.O. Brown, also were 16 when they started. Stanley Ketchel, a Pole, was 17. So was Australian Les Darcy.

"The fighters I have mentioned represent only a small fraction of the many outstanding ringmen who were of grade school ages when they began tossing gloves for a living. If I wanted to take the time and delve into research, I'd probably come up with a hundred more.

"The value of a kid starting early to learn boxing has been proved time and again. I can speak from personal experience. Officially, I didn't begin to fight professionally until I was 20, but I'd already had four years of good coaching and a batch of off-the-record fights in my home town, Denver, and I was pretty well seasoned when I decided on a pro career."

A SMART CAMPAIGNER

Puryear is in a position to speak with authority. His was an outstanding span in the ring, stretching from 1909 to 1924, and embracing nearly 300 bouts with the top flyweights and bantamweights of the era, several champions included.

How well he learned his trade was amply evidenced when, at the age of 36, he retired from the ring with the rare distinction of *never having been knocked out or stopped!*

Puryear's busy leather-tossing carried him from one end of the continent to the other, and there were few communities that he missed in his ubiquitious ramblings. He fought from San Diego to New York and from New Orleans to Minneapolis. Earl actually was little more than a flyweight, scaling around 114-115 pounds, but in his peregrinations along the highways and byways of the nation he accommodated anybody and everybody the promoters offered. A few pounds here and there meant little to him and the calibre of the opposition meant even less.

Many of the good 'uns Puryear met not once but often. He and Memphis Pal Moore tangled eight times. Jimmy Hanlon and Nate Jackson were his opponents in seven bouts each. Southpaw Danny Kramer swapped punches with him in four meetings. Carl Tremaine was his vis-a-vis on three occasions, and Pete Herman in two clashes.

Kid Williams, Joe Burman, Eddie Coulon, Pal Moran, Frankie Mason, Roy Moore, Leo Patterson, Dick Loadman, Terry Martin, Abe Goldstein, Bobby Dyson, Midget Smith, Johnny Buff, Dick Griffin and Jack Kid Wolfe were other headliners with whom Puryear hooked up at least once.

TALKED WAY OUT OF TROUBLE

Puryear was rated a "smart" boxer, and that "smartness" was strikingly illustrated in the bout that closed out his long career. It was with a strong, aggressive, stiff-punching youngster named Charley Holman in Baltimore.

To all intents and purposes, Puryear had retired from the ring. He hadn't fought in six months when he drifted into New York to visit old friends. While in town, a Baltimore promoter got in touch with him. There had been a "break" in a main event scheduled for a few nights hence and he needed a substitute in a hurry. Would Puryear, a familiar face in Baltimore, do him a favor and fight Holman?

"Sure, why not?" said Earl, nonchalantly shrugging off the fact that he was 36, had been away from ring action for a half-year, and wasn't in training.

Holman, out of Richmond, Va., was billed as the "Fighting Parson" because of his practice of praying in the corner before the start of a bout.

Early in the fight Puryear realized he was in for a rough time going twelve rounds with the young Virginian. The prospect offered no encouragement when Earl, looking over the disappointing attendance, estimated that he'd be lucky to cover expenses with his percentage of the receipts.

Well, if he couldn't get a good payday at least he'd try to lessen the burden of a rugged night's work.

During his long career, the veteran had learned the value of "psychological warfare," and he decided to try it with Holman.

In close quarters, Puryear said: "They tell me you're a minister."

"I'm not," replied the Virginian.

Puryear continued: "But they call you the 'Fighting Parson' and you pray before a fight."

Holman admitted as much.

"Well," said Puryear, "whyinell didn't you pray for some customers here tonight?"

Earl's strategy had a disconcerting effect on Holman.

The bout went the full twelve rounds, and "Old Man" Puryear suffered nothing worse than weariness and a lost decision.

JABS AND JOLTS

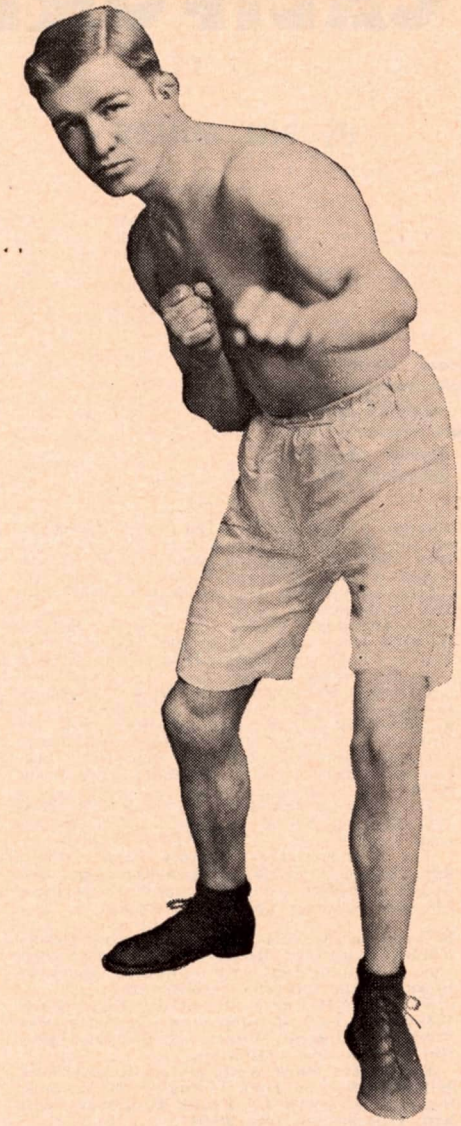
By the time this appears in print, it's likely that the St. Nicholas Arena will have completed a deal to televise its Monday night fights. It'll be a modest arrangement, covering only the New York metropolitan area, but the revenue (reported to be $3,000), added to the Arena's normal gate receipts, will enable Promoter Irving Cohen to offer more attractive inducements for main bouts.

At this rather late date, Gene Tunney decides he is a year older than the record books have had him these last four decades. Gene insists he'll be 64 next May instead of 63. Could it possibly be that the ex-heavyweight champion isn't too sure of the millions of $$$$ he already has, and, to protect himself against the future, is trying to rush his eligibility for Social Security?

The fistic fraternity in Buffalo has been getting more than its normal share of grim news in recent years. The first to go was Promoter Charley Murray. Fighters Rocky Kansas, Lockport Jimmy Duffy and Jimmy Slattery followed. Now it's veteran manager Bert Finch, in his mid-70s when counted out. Finch handled quite a few prominent Buffalo ringmen. Duffy probably was the best, with Lou Scozza a close runner-up.

A bout between two young featherweights, Don Adamson of Utah and Emilio Flores of California, suddenly ended in the third round in Los Angeles recently when both boys suffered gashes from a head-on collision. A beautiful exhibition of scientific boxing, eh, wot?

Cleveland Williams, who called off a bout in Wales a few years ago when he "heard voices" advising him not to fight, has a well-qualified running (or run-out) mate in Sexton Mabena, the South African "Wonder Boy." Mabena withdrew from a boxing tournament in Basutoland recently because, he said, a witch doctor had "cast a spell" over him.



A boxer who knew his trade, Earl Puryear engaged in nearly 300 bouts in 16 years, and retired without ever having been knocked out!

THE month's results:

Although he won handily enough, Jorge Fernandez, 150, Argentina, was somewhat disappointing in his failure to score more decisively over Stefan Redl, 150¾, Passaic, N. J., in the headline ten of the St. Nicholas Arena's reopening card. Reputedly a lusty puncher, Fernandez didn't figure to have much difficulty with easy-to-hit Redl, who had been beaten, twice by knockouts, in all four previous starts in 1960. The South American did have the Hungarian-born-German in trouble in the seventh, eighth and tenth rounds but was unable to finish him. After the bout, Fernandez tried to explain his failure to stow Redl away by complaining that "something"—possibly vaseline dripping from a gash on Stefan's right brow—had gotten into his eyes in the second round and blurred his vision from then on. Redl had rough going all the way. Besides the licking he absorbed, and the three-inch gash over his eye, he repeatedly lost his balance and skidded to the canvas in the third, sixth and tenth sessions. In the semi-final eight, Tony DeCola, 150, Brooklyn, returned to action after an absence of eleven months to outfight Julie Jamison, 144¾, Wappinger Falls, N. Y. In fours, Lew Moses, 177½, Harlem, decisioned a neighborhood rival, Frank Davis, 177½! Eddie Scurlock, 155½, Bronx, whipped Lamar Hayes, 156, Brooklyn, and Lucius Benson, 158, Brooklyn, had the better of Jimmy McNair, 158, Harlem. Despite miserable weather, the first show of the St. Nick's 1960-61 season attracted a fair turnout of 1,541 and gross receipts of $3,748.60.

▶ Something of a sensation was registered at the St. Nicholas Arena when Jose Gonzalez, 151, Puerto Rico, stopped shifty, experienced Marvin (Candy) McFarland, 147½, Philadelphia, at 1:57 of the third. An aggressive slugger, Gonzalez was not regarded as a particularly hard hitter, but shortly after the third round got under way he nailed McFarland with a right to the chin and Candy hit the canvas for an eight count. As the Philadelphian stumbled to his feet, Gonzalez ripped into him with both hands and blasted him through the ropes onto the ring apron. McFarland barely scrambled back at the count of nine, but he looked groggy and the Commission physician, Dr. Sam Swetnick, signalled to Referee Teddy Watson to call a halt. The bout topped a benefit card for the family of Tommy Pacheco, young Puerto Rican who died of brain injuries after being knocked out at the St. Nick several months before. Of the gross receipts of $3,321.19, paid by 1,421 customers, the Pachecos received $1,046.76. Benny Gordon, who had been Tommy's opponent in the ill-fated bout, appeared in the semi-final eight. Scaling 134½, the Bronxite fought to a draw with another Puerto Rican, Marcos Morales, 132. Two other Puerto Ricans were winners in preliminary fours, Ossie Marcane, 150½, decisioning Gaylord Barnes, 150, Valley Stream, L. I., and Hector Carrido, 127, whipping Rocky Fischetti, 130½, Brooklyn. In another four, Pete Torro, 149, Bronx, won from Jimmy Dorsey, 144, Atlanta, Ga.

▶ Recovering from his disastrous experience with Gale Kerwin in Madison Square Garden, when he was stopped in the second round of the semi-final to Benny Paret and Denny Moyer, wild-swinging southpaw Ronnie Cohen, 145, New Rochelle, got back on the winning road by blasting his way to a quick triumph over Johnny Gorman, 147, Brooklyn, at the St. Nicholas Arena. Down himself for an eight-count in the first, Cohen came roaring back in the second to drop Gorman three times with lusty lefts. The three-knockdowns-in-one-round rule automatically ended the affair at 1:37, giving Cohen a record of 20 wins (13 by k.o.) against two draws and four defeats in 26 starts. In sixes, Willie Dante, 166, West Side, outfought Jules Owens, 161¼, Bronx, and Pablo Lopes, 132, Puerto Rico, decisioned Tony Santana, 136, Bronx. In fours, Billy Daniels, 186, Jamaica, L. I., won from Nat Hammer, 190, Harlem, and Julio Libonati, 156½, Brooklyn, polished off George Kennedy, 155, Astoria, at 1:04 of the second. Attendance 1,060; gross receipts $2,251.16.

▶ In about as rough a brawl as New Yorkers have seen in some time, Joey Donovan, 143, edged out a decision over his Astoria rival, 145¾, in a back-alley ten at St. Nicholas Arena. Referee Ray Miller had a busy night warning the two boys for wrestling, butting, heeling and, in one instance, biting. What actual fighting was done seemed to favor Donovan. He was aggressor most of the way, scored heavier punches. Both boys were well smeared at the finish, bleeding from cuts over their right eyes, and Bartels also from a rip on his nose. It was Donovan's ninth straight win and his 22nd in twenty-three starts. In the semi-final six, former amateur ace Vince Shomo, 141, West Side, celebrated his professional debut by whipping Lash Sherman, 138, Jersey City. In fours, Wally Wilson, 160¼, West Side, decisioned Carl Miner, 157¾, Brooklyn; Carlos Quiles, 134½, Puerto Rico, won from Jerry Terry, 131, Long Island City; Hector Garrido, 126¼, Puerto Rico, drew with Manuel Rodriguez, 122, West Side, and Jackie Kelly, 135¾, Harlem, accounted for the only knockout of the night when he disposed of Ray Wallace, 133½, Brooklyn, at 1:57 of the second. Attendance 1,951; gross receipts (best of the season to date) $4,101.69.

▶ The first fight card in Madison Square Garden with the new Saturday night TV deal uncovered upsets in both the main event and the semi-final. Highly-rated Denny Moyer, 154½, Portland, Ore., who had accounted for a surprise only six weeks before by outpointing world welterweight champion Benny Paret in a non-TV'd fight in the Garden, was himself an unexpected loser this time, dropping a close but unanimous verdict to unrated Jorge Fernandez, 148¼, Argentina, in a hard-fought but not too exciting ten. Although Fernandez was warned twice for low punching, and fought from the sixth round on with a troublesome cut over his left eye, the officials—Referee Arthur Mercante and Judges Leo Birnbaum and Joe Agnello—felt that the Argentino's persistent aggressiveness and lusty two-handed clouting had more than offset Moyer's shifty boxing and snappy counter-punching.

Another "long shot" was a winner in a slugging semi-final ten when young Obdulio Nunez, 157½, Puerto Rico, staged a strong closing rally to edge out a split decision over Wilf Greaves, 160½, Edmonton, the Canadian holder of the British Empire middleweight title. Billy Collins, 144, Memphis, Tenn., outfought Eddie Antonetti, 142½, Puerto Rico, in six. In fours, Tony Fortunato, 150, Brooklyn, decisioned Bob Wiltse, 154½, Boston, and Tito Velez, 151½, Puerto Rico, won from a fellow-islander, Frankie Olivera, 154½.

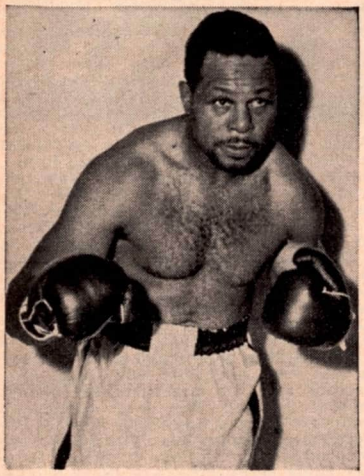
The Garden's experimental "Date Night"—women admitted on payment only of the tax if accompanied by male cash customers—wasn't too much of a success. No official figures were released, but the total attendance, including about 250 gals, didn't look more than 2,000.

ADDENDA. . . . Lahouari Godih, shifty French-Algerian lightweight, has been earning a unique distinction as a "First Night Attraction" in American rings of late. With Gene Gresham, he topped the first fight card staged by Nick Londes in the Detroit Olympia in three years, them ambled out to San Francisco to tangle with Bobby Sanders on Promoter Lou Thomas' inaugural program in Kezar Pavilion.

After his summer "vacation", Jack Barrett gets back into action for Promoter Pedro Martinez in Buffalo with a bout that figures to do good business in the Boston City—Joey Giambra vs. Rory Calhoun. The match, listed for November 12, is the first of several attractions Barrett is lining up for a schedule that he hopes will definitely put Buffalo back on the big-time fistic map.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By BILL MILLER



Archie Moore, world light heavyweight champion, who has been qualified to run for the State Assembly from the 79th District of California on November 8th.

FROM Mexico City comes the news, via A.P., that Mexico has broken off relations boxing relations, that is—with the State of California. Senor Luis Spota, prexy of the Boxing and Wrestling Federation of his country, made the announcement at the inaugural session of the annual meeting of the N.B.A.

Spota charged that Mexican scrappers are being exploited and that effective immediately all Mexican fighters, managers, seconds and officials who operate in any California arena will be suspended nationally and internationally. The ban, he said, would be lifted once California becomes a member of the N.B.A.

Not represented at the meeting were the states of California, New York and Massachusetts which are not affiliated with the organization.

▶As might be expected there was a sharp rebuttal from red-haired Aileen Eaton, co-promoter with her hubby Cal at the Olympic Auditorium.

"We've spent the last three years developing Mexican talent and they've made much more money here than they could have earned in Mexico," said Aileen. "We gave Mexico a world champion in Jose Becerra (recently retired banty boss)."

Clayton Frye, of the California Boxing Commission, was quoted as saying that further investigation was warranted by the charge of exploitation.

"To our knowledge," said Clayton, "these fighters have been fairly paid and I wonder what basis they have for these allegations."

▶At this same meeting of the N.B.A., Becerra's retirement was formerly recognized, and plans were made for two elimination bouts to decide a new champ in the 118-lb. division.

Four men were named as outstanding contenders: Eder Jofre, Brazil; Eloy Sanchez, Mexico; Alphonse Halimi, France and Freddie Gilroy, Ireland. It was proposed that Jofre and Sanchez meet in Los Angeles, and Halimi and Gilroy clash wherever they were most desired.

(I don't get it. If Sanchez fights in L.A., he'll be suspended in his native land. So what if he winds up as the "winnah, and new champeen" (huh?).

▶Teddy Rand, 126½, former paratrooper, fighting the second main event of his career, scored an 8-round knockout over Ray Salazar, 126, in a locally televised bout at the Olympic Auditorium. It was Rand's second triumph over Salazar, the first in a four-rounder when both were prelim scrappers.

Rand was well ahead on points at the time the fight ended.

In the six-round semi, Tony Herrera, 124½, KO (4) over Melchor Contreras, 126. It was Tony's 12th straight win. The fours: Javier Gonzalez, 131, drew with Collier Cox, 135; Tommy Noel, 123, dec. Gino Hernandez, 124; and Artie Fox, 163, KO (3) over Julius Shanks, 164.

▶It was the most important fight of his career, and Danny Valdez, 126½, made it a memorable occasion by whipping Ricardo Gonzales, 125½, No. 1 contender for the featherweight title, at the Olympic Auditorium. It was a shocking upset. Gonzalez, of the Argentine, was 4-1 choice; and this was his fifth defeat in some 108 pro bouts.

For Valdez, ten years younger than the Argentine veteran, who is 30, it was his 15th win in 19 scraps.

No argument about the verdict: Referee Tommy Hart scored it 100-86; Judge George Latka, 100-89, and Judge John Thomas, 99-90—all for young Valdez.

Danny displayed explosive punching power; he rocked Gonzalez in Round 1 with a smashing right, and dropped him in Round 2 with another. Though Gonzalez jumped right up, he was forced to take the mandatory 8-count. On hand were about 3,500.

In the semi, slated for six, Ernie Cuadras, 136, stopped Chino Jiminez, 136¾, in the final heat.

The four-rounders: Jimmy Fields, 133½, dec. Collier Cox, 132½; Leo Gonzalez, 143, dec. Frank Bradbury, 143; and Jerry Pina, 138, KO (2) over Carlos Castro, 137.

▶Hard on the heels of that stunning Danny Valdez win over Ricardo Gonzalez—Valdez was 4-1 underdog—came another shocking upset at the Olympic Auditorium, L.A.

This time it was Eddie (Baby Face) Pace, 146, also a 4-1 underdog, and his victim was Silvestre Villareal, Monterrey, Mexico, 144½. But it was not unanimous.

Voting for Pace were Judge Joey Olmos, 96-95 and Referee Dick Young, 96-94; dissenting vote was cast by Frank Holborow, who had Villareal on top, 98-94.

Pace, a Santa Monica boy, entered the ring with an unimpressive 8-6 record, and he had not seen action in nine months. Villareal, on the other hand, had a 35-4 record, which included 22 kayo wins. Hence the odds seemed justified. The fight was locally televised, hence the attendance wasn't enough to set the river afire. About 800. There were no knockdowns, but the principal victim seemed to be Roger Leighton, Villareal's manager.

Last year, in San Bernardino, Pace scored an upset win over former lightweight champ Lauro Salas, who was also managed by Leighton.

In the semi, billed for six, Abe Villa, 119, won a "technical" decision over Quan James, 119½, Round 3. Accidental butt. The fours: Cleve Graham, 180½, dec. Bull Mumford, 190; Del Bowens, 145, dec. Art Sedillo, 146½, and Angel Soto, 156, dec. Frank Salzberg, 162.

▶John Hall, of the MIRROR, severely criticizes Jack Urch, of the State Athletic Commission, for denying a boxing license to ex-champion Lauro Salas. Urch's explanation: "His reflexes are gone."

Hall enumerates Salas's arguments:

1—At the age of 33 (34 in January) Salas is younger than Ray Robinson, Joe Brown, Pascual Perez and (of course!) Archie Moore.

2—In 14 years of fighting, he has been knocked out only once.

3—In 1959, Salas lost only twice in 12 starts.

▶A little item in a local paper: Cisco Andrade has purchased the motel-training camp at San Jacinto, formerly owned by Willie Orner and Irv Rothberg. Purchase price, $50,000. Andrade also owns other real estate in the vicinity of Los Angeles.

Nice to read things like that. Over the long years I've known a great many scrappers who wasted their ring earnings, most of them foolishly. I knew Cisco when he was poor; I hope to be here when he gloms onto his first million.

Eder Jofre, Brazil bantam, has closed with Matchmaker George Parnassus of the Olympic for a title bout with Eloy Sanchez, who knocked out world champion Joe Becerra in the 8th down in Ciudad Juarez. True, the title was not at stake, but Becerra was so horrified that he retired from the ring.

Mexican promoters had been angling the Jofre-Sanchez match in the Mexican capital. Apparently the Olympic offer was much more attractive.

▶Herr Erich Schoeppner may or may not get that title match with Archie Moore, but to console himself if he doesn't, I read where he has sued Feature Sports, Inc., for the neat sum of one million slugs. And that, too, he may or may not get.

▶And from San Diego comes word that Archie Moore has qualified for a ballot bout for the short term in the 79th California Assembly District at the November 8th election. On the Democratic ticket. The term runs from Nov. 8th to Jan. 3, 1961—not long enough to get the seat warm. A real-estater named George J. Lapthorne, also a Democrat, has also filed for the job.

▶Speaking of Old Arch!: "He did a fine job in "Huckleberry Finn" as Jim, the runaway slave, says Morton Moss of The Examiner, "an artistic improvement over such previous Barrymores of Bop as Jack Dempsey and the late Max Baer."

▶California has adopted the "simplified five-point scoring system," wherein the winner of each round receives from one to five points depending on his superiority during said round. The loser gets zero. If the round is even, neither boxer gets anything but a goose-egg. No fractions of points. Majority opinion shall be conclusive; if there is no majority, the decision shall be a draw.

Fine, gents. Elegant. Any official should be able to count up to five. The proponents of this system—chiefly, Morton Moss of the Examiner—are patting themselves on the back, giving stentorian Tarzan yells of victory.

You'll pardon me, friends, if I don't join you. No boxing scoring system is worth the powder to blow it to Gehenna if the scorers are cock-eyed. Five point, ten point, eleven point—it goes for all of them. In favor of the five-point method, you don't have to be a college grad to count up to five—but then that applies to the ten or eleven point system, too.

It's the man who scores, not the method he employs—that's what counts more than anything else. I've known men who had trouble getting past the fifth grade in school whose judgment in fistic matters I'd accept in preference to some college grads I know. No personalities intended or implied.

▶Newly arrived from Pittsburgh, Bobby Gordon, 167, scored something of an upset at the Olympic Auditorium by knocking out Bobby Sand, 171, in the 7th round. Sand was favored at 10-7 or thereabouts. At the time of the knockout, the Pittsburgher was leading on all score-cards. A left hook to the midriff and a right hand turned Sand into mud.

In the six-round semi, John Hayden, 187, dec. Norm Letcher, 179. The fours: Johnny Renfro, 126, dec. Jim Brown, 127; Humberto Dipp, 137½, dec. Jerry Pena, 137½, and Angel Soto, 157, dec. Sammy Dixon, 157.

▶Just a personal note: the outcome of that Pone Kingpetch-Pascual Perez title fight in Los Angeles must have been particularly gratifying to your friend and mine, Nat Fleischer. You may recall that his verdict in their first bout in Thailand, was criticized by a few persons writing for U. S. Journals. Well, what do Nat's critics say NOW?—H'mmmm?

▶Substituting on short notice, Don Johnson, L.A., 129, won the unanimous decision over Bobby Gray, Stockton, 129, in a locally televised bout at the Olympic Auditorium. Originally, Fiory Olguin and Ray Riojas were billed, but the former suffered a training injury three days before the fight and the Johnson-Gray match substituted.

The so-called "simplified five" scoring system made its debut—and here's how simple it was: all three of the officials agreed on the victor, but all three turned in different score-cards: Referee Charley Randolph, 13-3; Judge Lee Grossman, 10-1; Judge Frankie Van, 12-0. As for the gents of the press, John de la Vega of the Times had it 8-3

and George Main, Herald-Express, scored it 8-5.

(That's how "simplified" it was: five scorers, five different scores. As I was saying, it isn't the system: it's the scorer that's the most important, the all-important factor.)

In the six-round semi, Carlos Macias, 136½, dec. Walt Varez, 134½. The fours: Jimmy Fields, 135, dec. Ralph Moore, 137½; L. C. Blueford, 136½, dec. Javier Gonzalez, 132; and Jimmy Smith, 158, dec. Floyd Mayfield, 151½.

▶My good friend Tommy Walsh, the vetern of well over half a century in boxing, sends me a clipping from the Chicago American wherein Wendell Smith, well-known boxing and basketball scribe, sets forth some interesting figures on Illinois boxing. Startling, to say the least.

In this town where Tunney and Dempsey grossed the biggest gate in boxing history, $2,658,000, 'way back yonder in 1927, the state tax for 1959, from boxing, amounetd to $2,507.71. This year, from Dec. 1, 1959 to Sept. 17, 1960, boxing has contributed to the state treasury the sum of $1,758.26, from 19 shows. Wrestling, for the same period, $59,879.91.

As everyone knows, Jim Norris, once of the I.B.C., more recently of the N.B.E., tossed in the towel on September 27th at the Hotel Bismarck, with this bitter final utterance:

"I'm sorry I ever got into boxing."

▶Here in Los Angeles, at the Main Street gym, I overhead some local managers discussing the Norris retirement, and his final statement. Whereupon one of the pilots remarked scathingly: "HE'S sorry he ever got into boxing!—Well, that makes it MUTUAL!"

▶From San Francisco comes word that Hank Casey, rated No. 6 in the October issue of The Ring, won the unanimous verdict over Henry Hank, rated 4th, to take the rubber match of their three-scrap series. He had to survive a savage attack in the final round; in fact, the wire reports state that Casey was on Queer Street when the final gong sounded. Now Casey is No. 4 and Hank No. 6 in The Ring ranking.

For San Francisco, this was the debut of the new "simplified five" scoring method. Referee Vern Bybee had it 4-3; Judge Matt Zidich, 5-3, and Judge Jack Silver, 5-3, all for Casey, due to his margin from the 5th to the 10th heats.

Johnny Serrato, 138, decisioned Tony Norriega, 140, in six; in the semi-windup, In the fours, George Sullivan, 139, drew with Charley Pyatt, 139; Jimmy George, 131, drew with Charlie Robinson, 140; Floyd Ryan, 164, stopped Jerry Country Boy Wilson, 166, in the second, and Mike Gallo, 119½, defeated Chico Hernandez, 121.

▶Hear, hear! The N.B.A. rating committee named Pone Kingpetch of Thailand the "Boxer of the Month." Also announced: a change in the heavyweight rankings. Sonny Liston is now the No. 1 contender, to the surprise of no one; Eddie Machen, 2, and Ingemar Johansson, 3.

(I might mention that Nat Fleischer made these same ratings five or six weeks prior to the N.B.A.)

▶Los Angeles in general, and Cisco Andrade in particular, had reason to be deeply interested in the outcome of the Joe Brown-Battling Torres fight in Houston. Well, as everyone knows, Brown knocked out Torres in the 4th, also scoring a knockdown in the 1st.

The following morning, Aileen Eaton, co-promoter at the Olympic Auditorium, announced that Brown would defend his lightweight championship against Cisco Andrade at the Olympic late in October. Also, that a tentative date of November 17th had been set for the Eder Jofre-Elroy Sanchez bantam title elimination bout.

▶Clever veteran Johnny Gonsalves, 140, Oakland, had too much class for wild swinging Benny (The Bandit) Medina, 139¼, Fresno, and gained the unanimous 10 round decision over the colorful puncher before 2,400 fabs in the Oakland Auditorium. Johnny used the mustache for his target on the wide-open rushing Medina and pumped his left into his foe all the way, but Ben never stopped trying.

Wayne Thornton, 165½, Fresno, kayoed Uga Too, 175, Samoa, in the fourth of the semi-final. Benny Magana, 143, Fresno, and Charley Lamons, 144, Oakland, struggled to a draw, 6. Tino Salazar, 118, Sacramento, edged out Chico Hernandez, 120½, Oakland, in the opening four.

▶A pulled leg muscle suffered by Gene Fullmer—(all right, you wanna be technical? The plantaris tendon, which runs through the leg), caused a two-month postponement of his date with Sugar Ray Robinson in which Gene's middleweight title will be at stake.

It was intensely disappointing to all hands, of course. The advance sale had been excellent, with every indication of a $250,000 gate at the Sports Arena. But the Arena will not be available on December 3rd, right in the heart of the basketball season, hence the rematch will of necessity be switched to the Olympic Auditorium where the capacity, at $25 top, would be $145,000.

Purse percentages—40% to Fullmer, 20% to Robinson—remain the same.

Sugar Ray told Aileen Eaton, of the Olympic, that he would remain on the ground, and if he keeps this promise the Olympic will probably sell out on December 3rd. Meanwhile, Fullmer returns to West Jordan, Utah. Doctors opine that he'll be ready to fight in eight or ten weeks—in other words, on December 3rd.

This Fullmer-Robinson affair was to have launched the new TV boxing series over A.B.C.

Well, the A.B.C. fight shows were launched, but the principals were Kenny Lane vs. Len Mathews, top-ranking lightweights. (Mathews, No. 3; Lane, No. 7.)

▶It started out like an even-Stephen tussle, but Donnie Adamson, 125, stablemate of Gene Fullmer, bumped heads with Emilio Flores, 128, in Round 3 of their locally televised fight at the Olympic Auditorium. Adamson suffered a deep gash over his right eye; Flores a cut on his forehead.

Hence, the verdict: a technical 3-round draw, and a tough break for Marv Jensen, popular pilot of both Fullmer and Adamson.

In the semi, slated for six, Mel Fulgham, 155, stopped Ray Lopez, 156, in Round 3. The fours: Harvey Howell, 196, KO (3) over Buford Wallace, 190; Johnny Glasgow, 128, KO (3) over Jose Valdivis, 127; Bob Conrad, 163, KO (2) over Fred Catchings, 159; and Art Cedillo, 137, KO (4) over Bobby Jordan, 138.

BOXING IN PANAMA
By Juan Copeland

PANAMA MUNICIPAL GYM: Panama bantamweight champion Hector Hicks, 123, was held to a draw in a stirring ten rounder with Melvin Bourne, 128. The fight was hard fought and the decision a good one.

Roy Best, 128¾, took a split decision over Salvador Melendez, 128¾, in the six round semi-final. Promising Carlos Real, 111¼, stopped Lazaro Frutos, 113, in 2:30 of the third round and Gene Thompson, 111¼, gained the verdict over Manuel Moreno, 107, in the other four rounder.

Panama National Gym. Pedro Ortiz (Manhatten Kid) 119½, continued his fine work as he battered his way to a kayo over Alberto (Toto) Ibarra, 118½, in 0:58 of the eighth round. It was a close fight until Pedro opened up with his big guns.

Humberto Herman, 129, captured a unanimous decision from Modesto Lara, 127½, in the six round semi-final.

Pedro Carvajal, 102¼, took the verdict over Carlos Cruz, 106¾, in a six rounder between wee ones, and Leopoldo Campbell, 116¾, won the decision over Lazaro Frutos, 115½, in four rounds, this was the second show in a row that Frutos has appeared as a late substitute.

FROM TROPICAL PUERTO RICO
By Mario Rivera

SIXTO ESCOBAR STADIUM, SAN JUAN, P. R. For the third time in less than a year Puerto Rican pugilists who had made a hit on foreign shores came to their homeland only to disappoint the local fanaticos in their pro debut here in the Caribbean.

The first one to fall in this category was undefeated middleweight Jose Torres who was held to a draw by the present welterweight champion, Benny Paret, in a relatively slow fight here in San Juan. Next on the list was highly regarded Jose Gonzalez who was upset by an unknown quantity by name of Ray Villalona in Ciudad Trujillo. The third prodigal son to drop by the wayside was Lionel Rivera, 126, now making his home in Hawaii, who was thrashed in ten heats by Carlos T. Cruz, 128, Santo Domingo, before a crowd of 2,800.

This was literally a cruise for Cruz who won all ten heats and scored effectively with a hard left jab throughout the fight. . . . The semi-final bout in which Daniel Berrios, 126, upset Rafael Navarro, 126, was by far the best bout of the evening. The clever and colorful Navarro started strong and had Berrios on the verge of a knockout in the second round. However, a heavy shower in the fourth round must have cooled off Navarro because from there on it was all Berrios who was awarded a split decision in eight rounds. Ex-Bantamweight Golden Glover Antonio Castanon was a winner over William Escobar in four fast rounds.

▶**Sixto Escobar Stadium—San Juan, P. R.** Local lightweight Daniel Berrios, 131½, won a split ten rounder over Carlos T. Cruz, 130, Santo Domingo, in the feature event at the stadium. Cruz jarred Berrios on various occasions with an effective left hook and seemed to have a comfortable margin going into the 8th round. However, Berrios seems to be the type that fights best when the going is the roughest and came back with a strong rally in the last two heats to cop a none too popular decision.

Stateside veteran Ray Laboy, 131½, proved to be nothing more than a human punching bag against lanky Dominican prospect Hector "Chino" Diaz, 129, forcing referee Francisco Colon Garcia to call a halt to this manslaughter in the 8th heat, awarding a TKO verdict to Diaz. Aggressive flyweight William Escobar was clearly outpointed by hard hitting Emilio Roman in four rounds. Kid Motta, 118, scored a TKO in 0:56 of the third over inexperienced Victor M. Negron, 125½.

AROUND THE TRI-STATE AREA
By Don Elbaum

ERIE.—JOHNNY BIZZARRO, 133, ERIE, DEFEATED FERENC MARTINOVICH, 131, PITTSBURGH, before a crowd that drew the largest gate receipts in local boxing history. 1700 paid $4,206 to see one of the finest cards presented in Erie in several years. Bizzarro, under the training of Jimmy Brown, former trainer of Ez Charles proved too sharp for Martinovich as he rocked the tough Hungarian with right hands. Ferenc, who has a large local following could not match the pace set by Bizzarro and though the decision was split, Bizzarro was the rightful winner. Judge Frank Spader called it a draw 37-37; Judge Walter Ludtke had it 39-36 for the winner and ref Johnny Seaman called it 38-37 for Bizzarro.

Leroy Jeffery, 132, scored a sensational TKO over Willie Cooper, 133, of Wheeling, W. Va., in 2:44 of the sixth round. Leroy and Willie stood toe-to-toe and the two-fisted slug-fest pleased the spectators that had the fans cheering from the first bell. Leroy made a big hit here and fans want to see him back in action.

Carmie Price, one of the three fighters who defeated Johnny Bizzarro scored a KO over clever Roy Carruthers, 140, Akron, in 2:39 of the third. A wicked left hook to the body dropped Roy for the count.

Jim Hartzell, 176, Youngstown, stopped Willie Yankovich, 177, of Hamilton, Canada, in 1:39 of the third round in one of the best fights of the night. Yankovich had defeated Jim in their first encounter, and both fighters stood toe-to-toe for the duration of the fight.

The opener found heavyweight Joe Sheldon, 180, Cleveland, handed Jim Berdis, 173, Erie, his first defeat in five fights. Sheldon dropped Berdis twice in the last round to pull the victory out of the fire.

▶Hamilton, Ont., classy undefeated Ed Beattie, 133, Hamilton, won the Canadian Lightweight Title when he stopped 5 feet 11 inches Bobby Hamilton, 131, of Edmonton, in the fifth round before a crowd of 1,000 that paid $2,500.

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NEW ORLEANS BOXING NEWS
By Ike Morales

WHITEY ESNEAULT'S LATEST MIDDLEWEIGHT TITLE CONTENDER, FREDDIE LITTLE, is finding it tough getting suitable opponents to meet the Dillard University student since Little's successes in recent fights in Australia.

However, Promoters Lou Messina and Heard Ragas are certain they will land some well-known middleweight to oppose the new kayo king following Freddie's knockouts over Clive Stewart and Billy Stanley at Sydney, Australia.

Aussie scribes contend Little is the hardest punching middleweight seen in Australia since Dave Sands ruled the roost Down Under. They believe Little is ready for the likes of Gene Fullmer, Paul Pender and the rest of the best.

Little never boxed as an amateur. He jumped into the professional ring in 1957 with a one round knockout of Cal Campbell in New Orleans. After his recent kayoes in Australia, Little's record now shows 22 victories in 23 fights, among which were 16 by knockouts.

Australian promoters are anxious to bring Little back for future fights, but it's not likely Freddie will be available for another long ocean hop for quite a while because of his studies. In the meantime, Little will be available for fights in and around the New Orleans area.

▶ Gov. Jimmy Davis finally got around to naming members of the Louisiana Boxing Commission. They were Emile Bruneau, chairman; Pete Herman, vice-chairman, and Otis Guichet, secretary-treasurer.

Bruneau, a commissioner for a number of years before being axed by the late Earl K. Long, and Herman, one-time world's bantamweight champion, are veterans of the organization. Guichet, named to the body for the first time, is well known in the fight game as co-manager with Bonnie Geigerman of the once-famed Bernard and Maxie Docusen.

Guichet, incidentally, replaced Martin Burke, former heavyweight title contender and chief sparmate of Jack Dempsey during the latter's reign as champion. Bruneau, Herman and Guichet are paid officials with voting and supervision powers. The remainder are honorary.

▶ Charley Rodriguez, operator of Curley's Gym, is ready to send middleweight Stringbean Leslie against a higher caliber of opponents. The 20-year-old Stringbean lost but two fights in 15 and has never failed to give Henry Hank stiff workouts in the past. Out-of-town promoters can get Manager Rodriguez by contacting him at Curley's Gym, Poydras and St. Charles streets, New Orleans, La.

▶ Alfred Dupas, younger brother of Ralph and Tony, chalked up his second straight pro victories at the expense of Ray Cittadano in Baton Rouge on August 25. Prior to his Baton Rouge fight, Alfred made his pro debut with a one round kayo of Louis Van Patten in New Orleans. Alfred is a welterweight and has the makeup of a promising performer, provided he keeps active.

▶ Nolan Duplessis, New Orleans welter, scored a kayo over Calvin Cleary of Baton Rouge in the second of a scheduled eight-rounder. The Baton Rouge fight program was held on September 22. In another bout, Crow Peele, former National Collegiate heavyweight champion from LSU, returned to the ring and was decisioned in four by Jeff Davis of Mobile.

▶ Ralph Dupas, back from Australia where he was unbeaten in four fights, said he has been offered a non-title fight with Bennie Kid Peret Down Under. Ralph said he would welcome such a fight with the hopes of annexing a championship fight later. There are many who believe Ralph can take Paret now, especially Dupas' following two victories over Charley Scott in Sydney.

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DOWN ARIZONA WAY
By Al Fenn

IN ACTION BOUTS AT PHOENIX MADISON SQUARE GARDEN UNDER THE PROMOTIONSHIP OF PAAVO KETONEN, Manuel Elias, who is rapidly approaching the top rung in the bantamweight division, halted Young Harry Wills (Kid Chocolate), 124, Los Angeles, in 2:46 of the second. It was a Co-10 round feature.

In the other 10 Oney Minguez, 118, Phoenix, disposed of Fidel Estrada, 119, El Paso, in 2:06 of the second. A show-down is pending between Elias and Minguez for the state bantam title.

In other bouts Al (Kid Andrews, 145, Phoenix, outpointed Indio Cruz, 140, El Paso, in 6, and Johnny Featherman, 170, made his pro debut an impressive one by winning a KO over Gene Walker, 180, in the first. Keep an eye on Featherman. He has what it takes.

THE ARIZONA ATHLETIC commission crowned a new Arizona welterweight champion. An impressive championship belt was awarded. Willie Ross, 147, Phoenix. The loser was Luis Gorduno, 147, Mesa. Referee Red Burger stepped in and stopped the contest in 2:53 of the 11th. The bout was slated for 12 rounds.

Ross had Gorduno on the deck in the 10th, and was in command most of the way. But Gorduno was game to the end. Ring had a nice article on Ross, an army champion in Germany, last month.

Phoenix's outstanding lightweight, Henry Olea, 134, stopped Bennie Joe Brown, 138, Phoenix, in three; Mario Estrada, 122, Mesa, outpointed Chelo Carranza, 118, Tucson; Jimmy Tucker, 151, Phoenix, won a dull four from Al Knox, 146, Phoenix, and Gene Grant, 163, Tucson, stopped Tommy Mills, 158, Mesa, in the second.

SOUTHERN OHIO JABS
By J. Jimmie Amann

INDIANAPOLIS GOT STARTED AGAIN WITH BILL JOHNSON AND JAMES WAKEFIELD IN THE TOP SLOT. A group of Indianapolis sportsmen headed by Art Taylor and Ben Monson promoted.

▶ AROUND FOUNTAIN SQUARE WITH THE PUNCHERS AND THEIR PILOTS... Patsy Klein, 51, one of the top lightweights and welters around here about 20 years or better ago, passed away during the month of September . . . am now readying my 23rd annual release of the boxing promoters' and managers' guide . . . my address is 6716 Palmetto St., Cincinnati 27, Ohio.

ALBUQUERQUE BOXING BEAT
By James P. Cleary

Boxing has been at a standstill for the past month, but things are looking up on the boxing beat. Albuquerque's Joey Limas won a thrilling ten round victory over Joey Parks, of Omaha, Nebraska, at the Civic Auditorium before a cheering crowd of over 2,000.

Albuquerque's Flory Olguin, now under management of Willy Ketchum, is a young 140 pounder to keep your eye on. Flory will be boxing out of California.

IT'S A SMALL WORLD: Ran into an old Navy heavyweight boxer "Tiny" Reed, who is now stationed here at Sandia Base. "Tiny" boxed for me when I was one of Gene Tunney's Navy Instructors at the U. S. Naval Air Station, Trinidad, B.W.I., way back in 1943.

A.A.U. boxers have already started working out for the 1961 Golden Gloves. We are looking forward to a banner year.

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MARYLANDS MERRY MAULERS
By Joe Poodles, Sr.

BOOM BOOM LESTER, BEL AIR, MD. HEAVYWEIGHT WON HIS FIFTH STRAIGHT BY taking a lop-sided, unanimous decision from Cal Butler of Cleveland, Ohio, at the Baltimore Coliseum. The chubby Ohioan proved no trouble for Lester after the opening round, in which Butler went all out for an early kayo only to have Lester come through unscathed.

Steve Hayward, Baltimore lightweight, won a close 8-round decision from Les Bagi of Detroit. Bagi, a Hungarian refugee who participated in the revolution, proved to be a ringwise veteran who kept the bout real close with his clever left jab. Hayward's aggressiveness won the bout for him.

Johnny Ford, Baltimore middleweight, scored an opening round knockout over Ray Butler of Washington, D. C., in another scheduled 8-rounder.

Joe Black, a hard punching middleweight from Detroit, scored a surprise two-round knockout over Cornelius "Killer" McPaul of Baltimore. A sneak right hand dropped McPaul in the first round and a tremendous left hook spelled finis in the second canto.

Bobby Hurtt, Baltimore welterweight, scored a six-round unanimous decision over Brown "Swetcakes" Lee of Harrisburg, Pa., in an interesting bout. Lee, a pastmaster in all of the tricks of the trade, confused his young foe sufficiently to win for Bobby.

Ollie Stokes, Baltimore middleweight, scored a two-round TKO over Nick Chementi of Harrisburg, Pa.

Jerry Mundie, Harrisburg, Pa. lightweight, won a four-rounder from Bobby Leggett of Baltimore in a hard fought bout.

Tony Enzenga's Associated boxing club promoted with but a scattering of fans paying $606.94 to see this good fight card.

NEW JERSEY BOXING NEWS
By Lew Eskin

TRENTON'S PAUL WRIGHT, who a few months ago upset highly regarded Canadian light heavyweight Ted Doncaster, returned to Canada last month and recorded another surprise when he outpointed ex-British Empire Champion and top world challenger, Yvon Durelle. Paul who has fought mostly in four and sixes around his home state, seems to improve with the longer distance. Lets hope he gets a chance in a main event when the season opens in New Jersey.

The lone boxing show of the month took place in Temple Hall, Highland Park and sent veteran Paterson middleweight Joe Blackwood against Westfield's Otto Smith.

Smith who had won five in a row, was outclassed by Joe who is making a comeback after a three year lay-off. Joe, who met all the top ones during the late 40's and early 50's, still looked good enough to handle the top men of today as he won every round and appeared to be easing up towards the finish of the eight rounder.

The rest of the card was made up of five four rounds all action packed. John Blessas, 145, New Brunswick over Tom Welstead, 141, Matawan; Levi Pearson, 161, Newark upset Marty Pettiford, 158½, Elizabeth; Russ Walters, 185¼, Trenton defeated James Brewer, 173, New Brunswick; Leroy Holmes, 162, Roselle and John Culver, 161, Newark drew and Vernon LaMar, 155, New Brunswick and Neil Morrison, 158, Paterson also ended up even; Allie Todisco and Mickey Greb handled the refereeing jobs.

PITTSBURGH BOXING NEWS
By Jerry Kiger

PROMOTED BY BILL SPENEY AND JERRY KIGER, Freddie Martinovich, 136, outhustled Carmie Price to gain a split decision in an action-packed bout. Freddie won the first four rounds then Price came on to win the next two. The seventh was even, the eighth went to Price, the ninth was even and Martinovich won the tenth. The referee voted for Martinovich, Judge Art McGivern voted for Price, Judge Al Graybar cast his for Martinovich. It was a good win. Martinovich is a very strong boy.

In the six round semi-final, Tommy Schaeffer, 138, the Blawnox gravedigger, scored a good win over tough Rudy Richardson, 136, of McKeesport. He is the former Eastern and Inter city Golden Gloves champion. He also was the All Service champion in 1957.

In another six, fast-rising Jackie Matesic, 141, won on a second round kayo over Earl Alaway, 140, Youngstown, Ohio. Jackie is ready for main events.

Al Styles, the baby-faced 155 pounder of Philadelphia, won the first four rounds from Skippy Green, 160 pounds, only to run into a left hook of the hard punching Green and was counted out in the fifth round of a six rounder. This show drew 857 and paid a gross of $1850.

▶ Any unattached fighters wishing to show here should get in touch with me at 3100 Brownlee St., McKeesport, Pa.

▶ Notice to all managers—Send your 1960 records of your fighters to Nat Fleischer, The Ring, Madison Square Garden, for publication in the 1961 Ring Record Book. Don't fail.

▶ **McKEESPORT — Palisades —** Art (Golden Boy) Swiden won every round and beat Wayne Bethea of New York. Art was very impressive in whipping Bethea. Art turned slugger several times. The fans paid $2,685 to see the fight.

In the six round semi-final, Freddy Martinovich, of Hungary and former freedom fighter, felled Kenny Perry in the first minute of the first round. Martinovich weighed 136 and Perry 144.

In four rounders, Regis Shultz KO'ed George Gresan, 155, of Pittsburgh in the second. Shultz has looked very impressive in his two straight wins since turning pro. He weighed 157.

In another four, Jackie Matasic, 138, whipped Tiny Tim Simmons, 140.

Rudy Richardson, 136, gave Andy Gonzales, 139, a terrific lacing in an action-packed six rounder.

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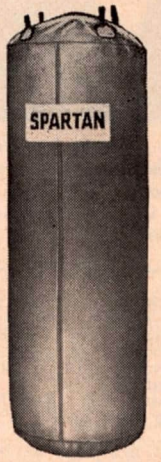

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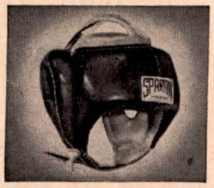

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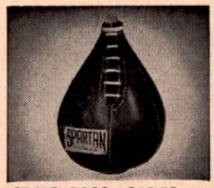

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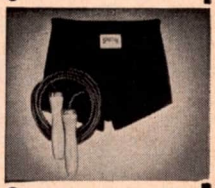

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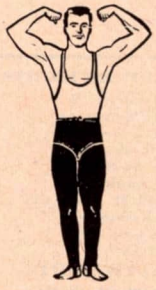

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NEWS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

EMPIRE POOL, WEMBLEY.—Henry COOPER, British & Empire Heavyweight Champion, 185½, after a long absence from the ring, proved too good for Roy Harris, Cut & Shoot, Texas, 190¾, in their ten rounder. Cooper took every one of the rounds by a clear margin by his strong left thrusts to the head and body. In the eighth he just missed scoring by a kayo when he caught Harris with a perfect left hook that sent the American across the ring to land on his back for the count of "eight."

Early in the second round, blood was trickling from a cut on Cooper's left eye, but the latter kept his cool head to drive his adversary at arms length till the end of the round.

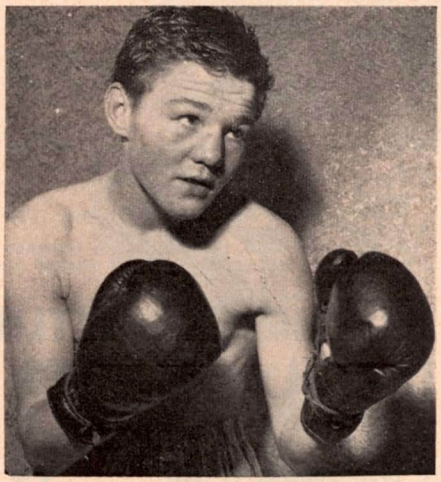
Referee Jack Hart had a difficult job to stop Harris from holding and swaying his head, for which he was severely cautioned by referee Hart. Throughout the bout Cooper did not throw a right with any power, but in the eighth, a perfect right hit Harris on the jaw, and as earlier stated it followed by the left hook that sent him down for the "eight" count.

When the bell went for the end of the last round, it was only a formality raising the hand of Cooper, the winner.

Promoter Jack Solomons also presented Cliff Curvis, Swansea, British Empire Champion, 145, with his first American opponent in Johnny Gorman, Brooklyn, 148½. Although Curvis did not show any too well against a retreating and ducking adversary, he nevertheless had things all his own way till referee Billy Jones, stopped the bout during the ninth to save Gorman unnecessary punishment.

A bout that stole the show, was that between Tanos Lambrianides, Cardiff, formerly of Greece, 145, and Mick Leahy, Coventry and Ireland, 148, who provided the thrills for eight hectic rounds. It was punch for punch with The Greek scoring two knockdowns in the first and lasting the better in a fiercely fought bout to receive referee Jack Hart's decision.

Harry Scott, Liverpool, 159¾, knocked out Tommy Hayes, Bristol, 157, in the sixth of a hard hitting bout. Throughout the bout, excitement ran high as both boxers tried for the knockout, and it was Scott who landed the K.O. within the last minute of the final round. Alex Barrow, Ghana, 188½, knocked out Menzies Johnson, Jamaica, 200, in the second. Pat O'Grady, Bermondsey, 162, outpointed Joe Bell, West Indies, 159, in six. Ken Brady, Retford, 204, stopped Jim Houlihan, Ireland, 182, in the third.



Terry Spinks became the new featherweight champion of Great Britain when the referee halted his contest with Bobby Neill after the seventh round due to a bad cut around his left eye that poured crimson.

▶**GLASGOW.** Chic Calderwood, British & Empire cruiserweight champion, undefeated in 27 bouts, enhanced his reputation with a very close points win over Willie Pastrano, U.S.A., in a fast-punching ten. Pastrano took the initiative in the first with a couple of lefts to the Scotsman's face, but the latter countered cleverly against the fast moving visitor.

In the second, Calderwood attacked and forced Pastrano to give ground. The latter boxing well on the retreat, made The Scot miss badly by his weaving tactics. The third saw Pastrano scoring with his tantilizing left, but toward the end of the round, Calderwood drove the American against the ropes scoring with blows to the head and body.

In the fifth excitement ran high as both matched their lefts to the head. Toward the end of this session, Calderwood received a badly cut eye. Referee Powell went to the Scot's corner to examine the damage, but allowed the bout to continue.

Pastrano came out fast for the sixth, scoring at will. In the seventh, Pastrano put on the pressure, but met stern resistance from the dour Scot. The eighth was of an even nature, but in the ninth Calderwood scored with six straight lefts to Pastrano's head without return.

Coming out for the tenth and last round, both went at it to the enjoyment of the large crowd and at the gong it was even-steven who referee Ike Poweel would declare the winner. After consulting his card, while Pastrano confidently stood in the center of the ring waiting for his hand to be raised, referee Ike Poweel of Wales walked over to Calderwood and raised his hand instead. Pandemonium then broke loose among the Scottish fans for their local lad had beaten one of the best boxers that has come from America. At the weigh-in Calderwood was 175¼, and Pastrano 177 & 10 ozs.

Billy Rafferty, Glasgow, 119¼, knocked out Angelo Priami, Italy, 119, in the fourth. The Italian was no match for the hustling, bustling tactics of The Scot, who ended the one-sided bout in the fourth with a right to the jaw.

Eddie Barraclough, Rotherham, 120½, outpointed George McDade, Glasgow, 118, after a hard fought eight. Danny McNamee, Dundee, 118½, stopped John McGeough, Glasgow, 119½, in the second. Alf Barker, Dunferline, 175, knocked out Tommy Bruce, Keith, 176¼, in the second. Andy Barry, Glasgow, 157½, outpointed Tommy Colecliff, Manchester, 160½, in six.

The aftermath of The Porthcawl BRAWL, in which Brian London was forced to retire at the end of the eighth in his quest to deprive Dick Richardson of his European title, was a special meeting called by The Stewards of The British Boxing Board of Control. After four hours' deliberations in which many witnesses were called, it was decided: That Brian London be fined £1,000, (Two Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars) and SUSPENDED for Three Months. When asked if he would APPEAL, London replied that he would Not Appeal against the decision.

▶**WOLVERHAMPTON.** Tony Smith, Wheaton Aston, 186½, defeated Kittione Lave, Tonga, 207, in the seventh, when referee Chris Maggs disqualified the Tongan for the misuse of his head.

In the first three rounds, Lave gained a lead by his heavy swings, but after blowing up it was the Midlander who went ahead and it was no surprise when referee Maggs sent Lave back to his corner as stated.

Max Smith, brother of Tony, 162¼, gained a good win over Terry Phillips, Cardiff, 160, when the latter failed to answer the bell for the fourth.

In the third Phillips was sent down from a hard right to the jaw as the bell sounded the end of the third. . . . Arthur Burley, Wolverhampton, 138¼, stopped Johnny Bamborough, Durham, 138, in the fifth, when the referee intervened to save the latter from further punishment. . . . Maurice Cullen, Shotton, 136, had an easy task in outpointing Tommy Tiger, Leicester, 135, in eight. . . . Jimmy Robinson, Brownhills, 135½, knocked out Trevor Wise, Yarmouth, 138, in 40 secs of the first.

▶**CORK.** The popular Mick Callahan again drew a good crowd at his promotion at The City Hall. He featured Christy Kelly, Limerick, the ex amateur star, in his first professional appearance, and in doing so, found a real drawing card for his future promotions.

Barry Adgie, Derby, was no match for this two-handed battling flyweight from Limerick who dropped the experienced Adgie in the third for "eight." The fourth saw the little Irishman deal out considerable punishment until the referee wisely intervened to save a game lad from further punishment.

Sean Leahy, Cork, outpointed Tom McCann, Belfast, in a hard welterweight bout in six. Bobby Fiddis, Cork, outpointed Arthur Rafferty, Belfast, in six of a bantamweight contest. . . . Barney Smith, Belfast, stopped Terry St. Leger, Cork, in the second of a bantamweight bout. Bernie Griffin, Belfast, stopped Billy Griffin, Newtownards, in the fifth of a welterweight contest.

▶**MANCHESTER.** Ronnie Riley, Preston, 160, gained the Central Area Middleweight Title, when he outfought Johnny Cunningham, Huddersfield, 160, in a hard hitting twelve. Al Allottey, Ghana, 131½, won on points against Chris Elliott, Derby, 128, in eight. . . . Sandy Luke, Nigeria, 157, was too good for Malcolm Worthington, Crew, 161½, and deserved his points win in eight.

Terry Girdlestone, Rotherham, 210¼, knocked out Bernard Sullivan, Salford, 190, in the second. . . . Gordon Boyes, Manchester, 111, knocked out Dennis Harrison, Nottingham, 110½, in the third. Jackie Harwood, Bolton, 140, outpointed Andy Hickson, Bury, 131, in four. . . . Ken Calderwood, Salford, 128, outpointed Tom McMillan, Glasgow, 125½, in six.

▶**NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB, LONDON.** Billy Walker, King's Cross, 113¼, gained a

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(To October 15, 1960)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Henry Cooper (E)	Chic Calderwood (S)	Wilf Greaves (C)	Brian Curvis (W)
2. Joe Erskine (W)	Mike Holt (SA)	Dick Tiger (N)	George Barnes (A)
3. Dick Richardson (W)	Johnny Halafihi (To)	Yama Bahama (B)	Willie Toweel (SA)
4. Brian London (E)	Jack Whittaker (E)	Terry Downes (E)	Mick Leahy (I)
5. Robert Cleroux (C)	Ron Redrup (E)	Phil Edwards (W)	Wally Swift (E)
6. George Chuvalo (C)	Yolande Pompey (T)	John McCormack (S)	Tony Smith (E)
7. Joe Bygraves (J)	Johnny Cole (E)	Gomeo Brennan (B)	Boswell St. Louis (T)
8. Gawie DeKlerk (SA)	Burke Emery (C)	Tuna Scanlan (NZ)	Gale Kerwin (C)
9. Mose Verasikete (F)	Tony Dove (E)	Clive Stewart(A)	Joe N'Gidi (SA)
10. Jim Cooper (E)	Joey Armstrong (G)	Sandy Luke (N)	Albert Carroll (E)
LIGHTWEIGHTS	**FEATHERWEIGHTS**	**BANTAMWEIGHTS**	**FLYWEIGHTS**
1. Dave Charnley (E)	Percy Lewis (T)	Freddie Gilroy (I)	Johnny Caldwell (I)
2. Ludwig Lightburn(BH)	Rafiu King (N)	Billy Rafferty (S)	Jackie Brown (S)
3. J. van Rensberg (SA)	Floyd Robertson (G)	Johnny Morrissey (S)	Frankie Jones (S)
4. George Bracken (A)	Howard Winstone (W)	Johnny (Jarrett (A)	Ron (Ponty) Davies (W)
5. Eddie Beattie (C)	Johnny Kidd (S)	Roy Beaman (E)	Derek Lloyd (E)
6. Peter Heath (E)	Terry Spinks (E)	George Bowes (E)	Dennis Adams (SA)
7. Ron Hinson (E)	Levy Madi (SA)	Dick White (A)	George McDade (S)
8. Billy Kelly (I)	Sexton Mabena (SA)	Dennis Adjei (G)	Pancho Bhatachaji (In)
9. Darkie Hughes (W)	Bobby Neill (S)	Alex Ambrose (S)	John Mtimkulu (SA)
10. Dave Coventry (E)	Derry Treanor (I)	Peter Lavery (I)	Freddie N'Gidi (SA)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (BG) British Guiana; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghana; (IN) India; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South America; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales; (BH) British Honduras.

narrow points win over Don Braithwaite, Wales, 113, in an all action eight. Phil McGrath, Halifax, 135, was always going too good for Pat Aaron, Nigeria, 137, in eight, and was a worthy winner on points. . . . In a hard hitting bout, Abe Stanley, Bournemouth, 189, was declared the winner over Sid Cain, Watford, 203, in six. . . . Johnny Berry, Harlesden, 157, stopped Ken Chadwick, Manchester, 157, in the third. . . . Peter Kane, Isleworth, 142¼, knocked out Alf Thompson, Dagenham, 146¼, in the third.

▶**SHOREDITCH.** Albert Carroll, Bethnal Green, 155, coming in as a last minute substitute for Ron Redrup, was too slippery for Orlando Paso, Nigeria, 161, in their eighth. The hard hitting colored fighter was not allowed to get set for his heavy deliveries and the Bethnal Green lad was good value for his points win.

Al Sharpe, Belfast, 148, was too experienced for the up & coming Johnny Kramer, 147¼, and the former received referee Jack Hart's decision, after eight exhilarating rounds. . . . Brian Bissmire, West Ham, 117, retained his unbeaten record with a good win over Danny Wells, Basildon, 114¾, in six.

Joe Devitt, Islington, 134¾, stopped Ron Rowley, Bristol, 134¾, when referee Jack Shaw intervened after Rowley had sustained a badly cut eye in the fifth. . . . Jackie Dillon, Isle Of Man, 123½, outpointed Andy Bell, Jamaica, 126, in a hard fought six. . . . Tony Donovan, Leicester, 147, stopped Mickey Flannagan, Belfast, 147, in the fifth.

▶**LIVERPOOL.** Tony Smith, Bootle, 145¾, enhanced his reputation with a good points win against Eddie Jordan of America, 142. Smith boxed confidently throughout the ten rounds and was a worthy points winner.

Jimmy McGrail, Liverpool, 144½, was extremely lucky to have his hand raised at the end of the eighth, to be declared the points winner over Larry Baker, New York, 146. Baker's cleverness upset the aggressiveness of the Liverpudlian, who was forced to take some of his own medicine during the middle rounds, and when the points decision was announced in favor of McGrail, a storm of booing and catcalls greeted the verdict.

Some say that 13 is an unlucky number, but in McGrail's career as a promising welterweight, it can be considered LUCKY, for he has now won 100% of his 13 bouts to date.

Johnny Cooke, Bootle, 134, got well on his way to victory early in the first, when he put Sammy Etioloja, Nigeria, 135, down for a count of "five" and the latter was lying on his back at the bell. Three rounds were sufficient for Etioloja took severe punishment, and wisely retired at the end of the round with a damaged mouth.

Dave George, Woking, 159, defeated Simon Eme, Nigeria, 158, in the fifth of a hard hitting bout, the referee calling a halt when Eme received a badly cut eye. Jackie Cunningham, Liverpool, 136, knocked out Alf Cottam, Preston, 134, in the second, after being dropped himself for "eight" in the first. . . . Jimmy Braddock, Ellesmere Point, 128, outpointed Johnny Fitzpatrick, Sheffield, 127½, in four. . . . Tony Barry, Ellesmere Point, 140, and Steve Ako, Liverpool, 149, boxed a draw in four.

▶**BIRMINGHAM.** Wally Swift, Nottingham, British Welterweight Champion, 149, had an easy journey against Henri Cabelduc, France, 149, for the latter was not in the same class, and did well to last the full course. Brian Jones, Nottingham, 135¾, clearly outpointed Mickey Driscoll, Brierly Hill, 137, in eight.

Ron Hinson, Dagenham, 136¼, and Jim "Spike" McCormack, Belfast, 135½, fought a brisk ten to a draw. Alex McMillen, Glasgow, 135½, stopped Colin Salcombe, Smethwick, 138, in the eighth and last round, after Salcombe had taken considerable punishment.

Paddy Delargy, Galway, 162, was knocked out in the second round by the hard hitting Leamington boxer, Ron Vale, 155½, who planted a neat left hook on his jaw that put him down for the full count. Brian Cartwright, Birmingham, 118, outpointed John Agwu, Ghana, 119¾, in six. Ron Gray, Walsall, 183½, outpointed Johnny Barday, Nigeria, 185.

▶**CARDIFF.** Joe Erskine, Cardiff, who meets Henry Cooper for the latter's Empire and British Heavyweight titles, had a brisk workout when he easily outpointed Jose Gonzalez, heavyweight champion of Spain. Referee Ike Powell saw fit to intervene during the fifth of a one-sided boxing match, in which few heavy blows usually seen in a heavyweight bout was seen. The crowd did not take kindly to the termination of the boxing bout.

Howard Winstone, Merthyr, 126½, gave a brilliant display of boxing and correct punching, when he defeated Jean Renard, Featherweight Champion of Belgium, 126½, in the eighth and last round, when the referee intervened after Renard had received a badly damaged eye.

Ron "Ponty" Davies, Llanbradach, a fighting fury once the first gong goes, is a flyweight who will trouble the best. After a dockside brawl with Pancho Bhatachaji, India, in which the latter received two cut eyes, referee Stan Davies intervened during the seventh as Pancho stood back to wipe the flowing blood from his damaged eyes. It was one of the most vicious bouts seen among little men for some time.

The India flyweight stamped his feet in anger after he realized that the bout was stopped.

"Darkie" Hughes, Cardiff, 137¼, was declared the winner over Sammy Cowan, Belfast, 140, in the fifth, when referee D. S. Davies decided that Cowan "WAS NOT TRYING" sending him to his corner "disqualified." One could sympathize with the Irishman, for he was a last minute substitute and was obviously outclassed. Phil Jones, Cardiff, 127¾, defeated George O'Neill, Belfast, 127½, in the fourth when referee Joe Brimell intervened after the latter had received a badly cut eye.

Terry Crimmins, Cardiff, 120, gave an impressive performance in stopping Eddie O'Connor, Dubin, 120, in the sixth. Eddie Green, Caerphilly, 145½, stopped Howell Roberts, Colyn Bay, 143½, in the fifth. Don James, Merthyr, 112½, outpointed Billy Colvin, Belfast, 113, in six.

▶**National Sporting Club. London.** A clash of heads brought to a close the featherweight bout between Paddy Kelly, Derry, 125, and Ronnie Calvert, Sheffield, 127¼, during the fifth, in which there was more punches thrown than many a championship bout that I have seen. In the first round, Calvert with a flurry of punches put The Irish Lad on the canvas for "eight," and only the bobbing and weaving tactics of Kelly saved him from further punishment until the bell ended the round.

The pace was set at full speed ahead, and it was Calvert's turn to take count of "eight" from a perfect right as he came in. Kelly began to master the aggressive Sheffielder in the fourth, and with the clash of heads as stated, it was seen that Calvert had sustained a very bad cut right eye, that forced his retirement. Both came in for a great ovation from the members.

Neville Exford, Bermondsey, 146½, outpointed Gordon Enoch, Nigeria, 146½, in a hard fought eight. Steve Richards, Bermondsey, 148, was a good points winner over Bernard Hart, Eltham, 146½, in six. Brian Smith, Porthcawl, 126¼, knocked out Jackie Dillion, Isle Of Man, 122½, in the first. Les Robinson, Sunderland, 134½, outpointed Peter Saltiel, Borden, 133½, in six.

▶**The Royal Albert Hall. London.** The cut eye "BUG" that ended the Terry Spinks-Bobby Neill, Featherweight Championship of Great Britain contest may have repercussions that will take the responsibility out of the hands of the referee. When the bell ended the seventh, it was seen that Neill had suffered a cut eye, and the left side of his face was crimson red, and as Neill walked back to his corner, Referee Ike Poweel of Wales stopped him and looked at his eye, and immediately put both arms out denoting that the bout was stopped. Walking over to Spinks corner he raised his hand as the winner and new British Champion.

Bobby Neill's trainer "Nobby" Wallace, wiping the blood away from "The Supposed" cut, protested to the referee, and soon the ring was invaded by partisans of "Baby Face" Spinks who were jubiliantly cheering their idol. Meanwhile Neill's face was cleaned and only a superfluous small cut without any sign of blood was seen. It seemed that the blood from his nose had caused the left side of his face to become a "bloody smear." I believe that the referee was premature in stopping the Championship Bout.

I claim that when experienced seconds are in a man's corner, they at least should have a chance of "Patching" up any damage that may have arisen. I agree that the referee SHOULD HAVE THE POWER TO STOP A CONTEST DURING THE ROUND, if he thinks that CUT is too bad. BUT NOT AS SOON AS THE BELL ENDS THE ROUND. One must give Terry Spinks full marks for the brilliant way he boxed, piling up a good points lead after an even first round, for he was the master of the Champion throughout.

It was in the 1956 Olympics that Terry Spinks won a Gold Medal in the 112 lbs. class at Melbourne, and four years later he gained his ambition of becoming Featherweight Champion of Great Britain. At the weigh-in at 1 o'clock, Neill scaled 125 and 10 oz., while Spinks was three-quarters of a pound overweight. This he brought down to 2 oz. after given one hour to make the weight.

The Cut Eye was again evident, in the Roy Beaman, Brixton, 120, and Terry O'Toole, Hackney, 120, bout. A clash of heads in the third saw O'TOOLE emerge from a clinch with a badly gashed eye, and referee Jack Lord had no option but to halt the bout and name Beaman as the winner.

Another cut eye saw Mickey Redmon, Bristol, 130, being led to his corner by referee Pat Floyd in the fourth, and his opponent Mick Greaves, Leicester, 127¼, declared the winner.

Love Allotey, Ghana, 126, stopped Hugh O'Neill, Walworth & Dublin, 126, in the eighth and last round.

Billy Tarrant, Bermondsey, 147¾, and Tommy Donovan, Leicester & Ireland, 145¼, battled six hard rounds to a draw.

Dave Stone, Battersea, 136, outpointed Phil McGrath, Halifax, 138, in a hectic eight. Although he was the loser, McGrath received the plaudits of the crowd for the whirlwind last round effort to stem the tide . . . for a last minute substitute, he did very well.

▶**SHOREDITCH**. . . . Tony Mancini, Hammersmith, 148, gave a listless performance in outpointing Eddie Phillips, Nigeria, 150, in eight. When referee Pat Floyd raised the hand of Mancini as the winner, there were many boos, though Mancini boxing with the left hand after the second round, was a clear winner. It was afterwards ascertained that Mancini had damaged three fingers of his right hand.

George Blazeby, Norwich, 148½, knocked out Charlie Fordham, Kings Cross, 149, in 45 seconds of the first. Brian Bissmire, West Ham, 113½, stopped Tony Boles, Brighton, 111, when the latter was in no condition to come up for the second round. He was unconscious at the count of six when the gong ended the first round.

Ken Field, Hoxton, 127½, stopped Koffie Menu, Ghana, 125, in the second, the referee intervening to save Menu from unnecessary punishment. Joe Devitt, Islington, 135, was too good for Tony Webster, Norwich, 130, and the onesided bout was stopped at the end of the second.

Dennis Harman, Millwall, 170½, outpointed Ossie Nelson, Jamaica, 173, in six. Micky Flannagan, Belfast, 148, and Tony Donovan, Leicester, 147½, fought the best fight of the night at a fast pace to receive a draw from referee Pat Mills in six.

▶**TOWN HALL. WEMBLEY.** Freddie Elderfield, Harlesden, 154½, gained a hard earned points win over the experienced Tommy Tagoe, Ghana, 159, in eight. Steve Richards, Budapest, now domiciled in Bermondsey, 148½, defeated Des Cummins, Jamaica, 147, who retired at the end of the second with a damaged hand. Joe Bell, West Indies, 160¼, proved too strong for Graham Barnett, Lincoln, 161, but the latter proved a game loser to last the scheduled six.

Arnold Bell, West Indies, 124½, outpointed Norman Duff, Maidstone, 126½, in six. Tommy Corrigan, Maidstone, 148½, and Johnny Dolphin, High Wycombe, 145½, fought a sizzling six to a draw. Dave Parsons, Northolt, 137, stopped Vic Basendale, Worksop, 138, in the fourth.

LAS VEGAS NOTES
By Red Greb

A SUPERBLY CONDITIONED EDDIE ANDREWS, 159, could only garner a draw verdict for his 12-round effort against Neal Rivers, 172. The decision was booed lustily and protested by the Andrews camp. Andrews took a huge early lead and maintained it took a huge early lead and maintained it to the finish. However, referee Scott Sheddon called the bout even, 58-58 under Nevada's 5-point "must" system. Judge Ralph Mosa declared Andrews the winner 57-56, but Judge Dick Kanellis declared Rivers the winner 58-57. Both battlers hail from Las Vegas.

In the six-round semi-final, Frankie Hardison, 135, stopped Javiar Gonsalves, 135, in two minutes of the first round.

The fours: Billy Smith, 155, duked Paul Newman, 164; Otto Hardison, 120, drew with Beto Uribe, 120; and Freddie Perkins, 176, opened the show by scoring a one-round kayo over Tommy Valentine, 180.

▶**IN RENO**—Veteran Baby Moe Macias, Las Vegas bantam, had to call on all of his ring cunning and power to stop young Vince Castro in the final round of a scheduled ten. The good-looking Castro put up a stubborn effort through six-rounds, then faded in the stretch drive. After taking a trip to the canvas in the tenth session, Castro looked hopelessly at Referee Jimmy Olivas who wisely stopped the bout. Castro, from Stockton, weighed 119; Moe scale the same.

Jim (Spud) Peroddy, 135, stopped Artie Cox, 139, in the fourth; Freddie Gray, 154, KO (3) over Bobby King, 160; Lou King, 169, and Cal Cooper, 170, had their bout ruled a technical-draw when a collision of noggins left the former bleeding severely from an eye wound. This happened after 30 seconds of the opening heat.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

BY CHARLIE PARISH

THE winter season kicked off in great style with Duilio Loi bringing to Europe a world title. Admittedly it was only the Junior Welter title, which is something of a phoney compared with the heavyweight crown lost by Johansson. Nevertheless, competition is strong in the junior welter group and Loi's achievement is certainly creditable.

Floyd Patterson made a triumphant tour in Sweden and also earned himself a spot on British video. After his unconvincing display against Johnny McCormack, Gustav Scholz put up another poor performance against Don Fullmer and it was generally agreed that Gus the Great was lucky not to have been fighting Joey Giardello, his intended adversary. Laszlo Papp of Hungary, whom most experts had written off as finished, decided to make an explosive return to the scene by knocking out tough Erich Walter in Vienna.

Now for the action of the month.

▶ **Milan, Italy.**—This big industrial city once again became the fight capital of Italy when a tremendous program was staged at the San Siro Arena, where the Ortiz-Loi Synthetic Junior Welter Title bout brought in 80,000 spectators and created a new gate record. There was intense excitement in the huge crowd as Duilio Loi, 139, and Carlos Ortiz, 137, entered the ring to the accompaniment of the Italian and American national anthems.

The Italian started off at top speed and drew on his experience to outwit the nimble Ortiz, who nevertheless made even going of it. After the sixth round, Loi edged ahead and in the ninth round he had the Puerto Rican desperately defending himself under a hail of left and right hooks that had him staggering and covering up.

In the eleventh it was Ortiz's turn to pile on the pressure and Loi had some difficulty in keeping his feet. The last rounds saw Loi putting every ounce of energy into the attack, Ortiz boxing brilliantly but not carrying sufficient punch to halt the Italian's stride. Loi's victory was loudly applauded and Ortiz himself had no objection about the decision.

Mino Bozzano, the handsome heavyweight star who has long been absent due to a succession of injuries, returned to action against Bert Whitehurst, 190. The American fought his usual awkward, aggressive battle but Bozzano proved the heavier and more accurate puncher to win over ten rounds.

Giancarlo Garbelli and Peter Mueller put on a tremendous middleweight slam worthy of the occasion. Both men tore in with two-fisted attacks, in the third round Garbelli was badly cut over the left eye; Mueller stepped back and invited the doctor to examine the injury instead of cutting loose. The doctor stopped the bout but Garbelli pleaded to be allowed to continue. Shortly after, the gong sounded and Garbelli's eye was successfully patched up and in the following rounds Mueller had no opportunity of reopening it, though the fight went on at a hot pace. At the end of ten rounds, Garbelli was given the verdict but Mueller was carried shoulder-high by Italians and thus obtained a moral victory.

Bruno Visintin, undoubtedly one of the best welters ever produced in Italy, successfully defended his national title against Giacomo Nervi in a bout which went the full twelve rounds. Nervi fought in his usual tearaway style but a crisp right hook floored him in the second round. Visintin withstood Nervi's repeated onslaughts and by the end of the bout he had accumulated a considerable points lead. Italo Scortichini made a miserable return to action after a lengthy layoff. His opponent was Eddie Thompson, Tombstone. Scortichini was in poor condition and his corner wisely flung in the towel during the fourth round.

▶ **Poggibonsi, Italy.**—In a bout lacking thrills, Bruno Fortilli retained his national middles title by drawing with Renato Bianchini over twelve rounds here.

▶ **Madrid, Spain.**—The long-awaited clash between Luis Folledo and Diego Infantes eventually took place at the new Sports Palace, drawing a record crowd. Infantes has disputed most of his record bouts inside the middleweight limit and had some difficulty in making the required weight. Folledo, lean and lanky, was in great form but had to pull out all the stops to beat his aggressive foe. The bout went the distance. The victorious Folledo collapsed afterwards in his dressing-room. Kimbo Calderin, smart feather from the Canaries, reversed a previous defeat by whipping the Portuguese, Belarmino Fragoso, over eight rounds while Young Martin returned to action with a good win over Raton Osuna in a flyweight affair.

▶ **La Spezia, Italy.**—Ray Nobile defended his national feathers title against Alberto Serti here in a terrific dust-up which ended in a split decision, Nobile thus retaining his crown.

▶ **Melilla, Spain.**—If Mariano Echevarria undertakes his proposed American tourney it will perforce be minus his national cruiser crown. He was ruled out for a low blow in the fourth round of his title-clash with Luis Serra and Spain thus loses the only cruiser champion of merit since Paco Bueno.

▶ **At Corunna.**—Manola Garcia slipped further on the toboggan when he was stopped in six rounds by Tito Gomez, the returned prodigal from Argentina.

▶ **Porto Torres, Italy.**—Franco Fiori continued his winning ways by defeating tough, undersized Jef Janssens in a rough-and-ready middles eight.

Giuseppe Poddighe outscored veteran Gianni Zuddas in a bantam eight.

▶ **At Civitacastellana.**—Salvatore Manca bested Elio De Witt, stopping the Milanese with the Dutch name in round seven, of their flyweight shindig.

▶ **Biarritz, France.**—Andre Drille came in as a cruiser against the experienced Trinidad trial-horse, Jack Subero, who is little more than a heavy welter. For all his weight advantage, Drille had his work cut out and in the second session found himself dumped on the canvas for a count of "7".

In the third, Subero dropped the Basque with a right hook and again in the fifth he floored Drille with a cracking hook to the liver. An arm injury obliged the Trinidad veteran to retire at the end of the fifth.

▶ **At Toulon.**—Jean Albouy beat the Portuguese lightie, Neves Leyte, over eight rounds and Louis Oberto nodded Druille in a feathers eight. Georges Angelini, Marseilles middles hope, trounced veteran Lou Mourros over eight.

▶ **Ajaccio, Corsica.**—Armand Vanucci, finally released from military service, blasted out Antoine Komraus in the sixth frame of a middles clash.

▶ **In Paris.**—Milow Bulat of Yugoslavia put the crusher on Italy's Angelo Caschetto in the second heat of a welter slam and Roland Herve iced Mebarek Limane in the sixth session of a lightie debate.

▶ **Algiers, North Africa.**—Revenge is sweet, runs the proverb, and Alphonse Halimi must have got a kick out of stopping Jimmy Carson in nine rounds. Just after Halimi had won the World Bantam title, three years ago, he was pitted against Carson in London and was surprisingly stopped in nine rounds, due to cut eyes.

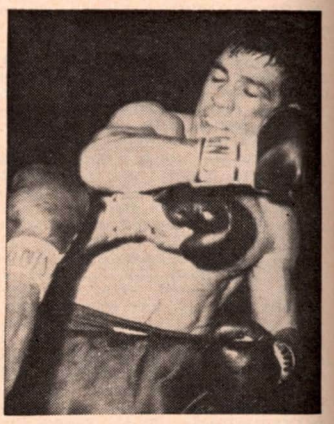
▶ **In Algiers,** both men were fighting as featherweights and again it was an eye injury which stopped the bout, only Carson was the victim.

In supporting bouts, Louis Poncy outfought Mohamed Ould in a lightie ten and Boukakef Boukerra was held to a draw by Maurice Devilliers in a welter eight.

▶ **Frankfurt, Germany.**—At the Festhalle, Gustav Scholz failed to scale the heights in his clash with Don Fullmer, of the famous West Jordan, Utah, family. The blond Berliner was still way below his usual form and for ten rounds he failed to find an answer to the tricky workmanship of the American, who was also tough enough to withstand the few accurate smashes that Scholz was able to put across.

Scholz's southpaw style provided no particular problems for Fullmer, who always remembered to move in a closewise direction. Whenever there was a spell of in-fighting, Fullmer used all the tricks of the game.

After ten rounds a drawn verdict was given, which was perhaps rather severe on Scholz.



Duilio Loi of Italy made a good showing in winning what passes for the Junior welterweight title from Carlos Otiz in Milan, Italy. Loi is now more of a threat than ever in the welterweight division.

Ulli Nitzschke, 200, moved a step further in the direction of a smack at the national title when he defeated the brawny Frankfurter, Ossi Buettner, over eight hard rounds. Buettner showed no respect for the blond giant and charged straight in with both arms flailing. Nitzschke kept the local battler off with his long reach and excellent footwork.

Conny Rudhof stopped game Jean Paternotte of Belgium in the eighth round of their lightie larrup, after dropping the gallant guest five times.

Dieter Wemhoener outpointed dour Gerrit Van Eyk of Holland in a cruiser eight, dropping the Dutchman twice but unable to make it stick.

In the curtain-raiser, ex-amateur star Heini Freytag, 155, scored an upset by stopping Horst Borzoskowski in six rounds.

▶ **Barcelona, Spain.**—The new middles champion, Fernando Penarroya, won over veteran Manolo Correa in an eight-rounder at the Gran Price while Vicente Ferrando, known as The Tiger of the Ring, knocked out unknown Manuel Rabadan in the fourth round of a lightie clash.

A week later, at the same venue, Ferrando was again in action, outscoring Harranz over eight rounds. In the main spot, Jose Merayo defeated blond Bergentino Cunado in a lightie eight.

▶ **Pavia, Italy.**—Giordano Campari, considered by Italian experts to be the best lightweight in the country, scored an impressive win by stopping the veteran Belgian, Louis Von Hoeck, in three rounds. Van Hoeck is a renowned stayer, who went the distance with hitters like Lamperti and Hashas. In a middles eight, Giordano Terabusi trounced Ernesto Ballabio.

▶ **Calais, France.**—Dennis Adjei, dynamic little West African battler who has had difficulty in obtaining work in Britain, paid a visit here to settle accounts with the local star, Elysee Castre. Dennis the Menace struck despair into the hearts of the good burghers of Calais by belting out the local prospect in the sixth round of a tearaway bantam clash.

In another bantam affair, Jacques Jacob bested Abdel Scatni in ten rounds.

▶ **Paris.**—The Salle Wagram opened the new season with a French champion topping the bill. Jean Ruellet, hardened veteran of many campaigns, set his experience and durability against the style, strength and superior reach of Claude Negrel, promising Marseilles contender.

Ruellet, who two years ago was but a trial-horse for all of Europe, appears to have found a new source of inspiration since he grabbed the national middles crown from the dusky paws of Assane Diouf. He won after

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

FOR THE MONTH ENDING OCTOBER 24, 1960

HEAVIES	CRUISERS	MIDDLES	WELTERS
1. Inge. Johansson (SW)	Erich Schoeppner (G)	Gustav Scholz (G)	Duilio Loi (I)
2. Hans Kalbfell (G)	Giulio Rinaldi (I)	Laszlo Papp (HY)	Bruno Visintin (I)
3. Mino Bozzano (I)	Dieter Wemhoener (G)	Franz Szuzina (G)	Fortunato Manca (I)
4. Toerner Ahsman (SW)	Germinal Ballarin (F)	Peter Mueller (G)	Chr. Christensen (D)
5. Franco Cavicchi (I)	Paul Roux (F)	Marcel Pigou (F)	Hippolyte Annex (F)
6. Albert Westphal (G)	Rocco Mazzola (I)	Giancarlo Garbelli (I)	Giacomo Nervi (I)
7. Ulli Ritter (G)	Leen Jansen (H)	Jean Ruellet (F)	Stefan Redl (G)
8. Ulli Nitzschke (G)	Helmut Ball (G)	Andre Drille (F)	Luis Folledo (S)
9. Sante Amonti (I)	Lennart Risberg (SW)	Manfred Hass (G)	Maurice Auzel (F)
10. Karl Mildenberger (G)	Pekka Kokkonen (FN)	Bruno Fortilli (I)	Diego Infantes (S)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERS	BANTAMS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Mario Vecchiatto (I)	Gracieux Lamperti (F)	Alphonse Halimi (F)	Risto Luukkonen (FN)
2. Sauveur Benamou (F)	Ray Nobile (I)	Piero Rollo (I)	Rene Libeer (F)
3. Aissa Hashas (F)	Sergio Caprari (I)	Pierre Cossemyns (B)	Young Martin (S)
4. Giordano Campari (I)	Jules Touan (F)	Mimun Ben Ali (S)	Salvatore Burruni (I)
5. Fred Galiana (S)	Rene Barriere (F)	Mohamed Zarzi (F)	Jean Guerard (F)
6. Guy Gracia (F)	Willi Quattuor (G)	Mario Sitri (I)	Albert Younsi (F)
7. Fernand Nollet (F)	J. L. Martinez (S)	Federico Scarponi (I)	Pierre Rossi (F)
8. Lahouari Rezgui (T)	Aldo Pravisani (I)	Elysee Castre (F)	Edgar Basel (G)
9. Epiphane Akono (F)	Alberto Serti (I)	Mario D'Agata (I)	Angelo Rampin (I)
10. Conny Rudhof (G)	Antoine Martin (F)	Kamara Diop (F)	Salvatore Manca (I)

LEGEND: Belgium B; Denmark D; France F; Finland FN; Germany G; Holland H; Hungary HY; Italy I; Spain S; Sweden SW; Tunisia T.

10 tough rounds. He displayed excellent workmanship in clearly outscoring the younger fighter.

In another middles clash, Rene Brunet whipped Retmia Mahrez of Algeria and in a feathers eight, Hoacine Salem laced Jean Leroux.

▶ **Ostend, Belgium.**—Aime Devisch continued active by belting out Gerard Alloo in the fourth round of their lightweight dispute.

▶ **At Ghent.**—Bob Stevens returned to the wars, gaining a points win over the Dutch welter champion, Tommy Baars of Surinam, in ten rounds. Henny Van Berkum retrieved Dutch fortunes by thumping out a points win over Victor Raes in a middles eight.

▶ **Paris.—The Palais des Sports** (new edition) opened up the new season with a crackerjack program which, however, failed to draw. Maurice Auzel substituted for Hippolyte Annex in the main spot against wily Boswell St. Louis of Trinidad, and before the bout was long under way, Auzel was wishing he had stayed at home. St. Louis is one of the most expert warriors in British rings and was doubtless shocked to find himself dumped on the canvas for a count of "eight" in round two. In the succeeding round another slashing right to the chin dropped him once again for "eight."

Over-confident, Auzel was taken unawares by a violent counter-attack in the fourth and had to fight desperately to prevent being floored himself. The Negro opened a cut over Auzel's left eye in the sixth and the Frenchman's seconds kept their man in his corner at the call for round seven.

Fred Galiana won in brilliant fashion over Fernand Nollet, the nimble Martinique lightweight, over ten fast and furious rounds and Aissa Hashas outscored Ola Michael of Nigeria in a welter ten, in an unconvincing affray. Claude Saluden returned to action by knocking out modest Albert Lefrancois in the third round of a middles maul and Paul Maolet stopped Joe Buck of Germany in the seventh round of a lightweight debate.

▶ **Vienna, Austria.**—After repeated reports that Laszlo Papp had renounced further boxing activity it came as a surprise that the Hungarian middleweight star had been matched against Erich Walter of Hamburg. Papp's last appearance was in February, when he outpointed the American, Lou Perry, in a somewhat tame affair. On this occasion he was lucky to be facing an opponent who relied more on straight-forward fighting than tricky maneuvering. The Magyar weighed 160, four pounds lighter than Walter, and it was the German who opened hostilities with a two-fisted attack. Papp's reactions were excellent. Walter was made to measure for his type of boxing. In the sixth, Walter sustained a cut over the left eye, in the seventh his gumshield went flying but still he gamely marched forward. The continual hammering finally softened up the German and in the ninth he went down from a left hook to the chin. Up again at "9," Walter fought desperately as Papp relentlessly moved in for the kill. A barrage of headblows draped the Hamburger helplessly over the ropes and still on his feet, he was counted out.

One of the few Austrian professionals still in circulation is Leo Potesil, on whom great hopes were placed for title-honors. These hopes went by the board when he tangled with Guenter Hase of Germany, who retrieved the fistic fortunes of the Fatherland by stopping the Viennese welter prospect in seven rounds. It was a fairly balanced affair until the seventh when a sizzling right-hander copped Potesil on the jaw. The Austrian rocked on his feet, underwent a further bombardment until the referee called a halt.

Hugo Koehler, 171, the Yugoslav adopted by the Austrians as a local attraction, had better luck in his battle with Wenzel Bociek of Germany, who recently flattened Mario Altana in Italy. In the eighth round Koehler copped Bociek with a hook to the chin and downed him for "eight," followed by another right-hander which settled the argument.

In a lightweight tussle, Ziyaris Taki, 140, was very lucky to get the nod over Rudi Langer, 135, of Germany, over eight rounds and Gerhard Topf decked Alois Maxa no less than eleven times before the latter's corner slung in the towel during the eighth round of their feathers fray.

▶ **Ravensburg, Germany.**—There was very modest attendance here when Willi Quattuor defended his national feathers title against bantam champion Edgar Basel, only some 1500 fans passing the turnstiles. At a mere 115 pounds, Basel was giving away eight pounds, but put up a tremendous battle against his difficult southpaw opponent. The challenger picked up lost ground during the seventh and eighth rounds with his more accurate punching and nimble ringcraft, but in the ninth round, he walked straight into a left jab and took a count of "8." He was obliged to strike his colors owing to the nose injury he had just sustained.

Gerhard Zech, the towering Berliner, met up with Bobby Warmbrunn for the third time. Zech, 211, had little difficulty in hammering his way to a third win over the veteran Bavarian, now in his fortieth year.

George Lautenbacher, 157, considered something of a prospect, had no trouble knocking out the Syrian champion, Salah Mousri, in two rounds.

Karl Wagner stopped Adi Mueller, the less-talented brother of Black Peter, in the third frame of a welter dispute.

Peter Mueller was also in evidence, boxing a four-round exhibition with Mohammed Sayib, another Syrian.

▶ **Jemappes, Belgium.**—Yves Cornez, the brilliant welter prospect who is undefeated in eighteen starts, added another scalp to his belt when he soundly whipped the Frenchman, Jacky Marchandeau, over ten rounds.

The Dutch middle, Jan De Vos, proved too strong for veteran Ali Amrane of Algeria and won comfortably on points while Rene Flaba bested Roger Verhelst in a lightweight ten.

▶ **Brescia, Italy.**—Sante Amonti made his first decisive step into the heavyweight division when he tackled Francis Magnetto, the French champion, a moderately good boxer who has won and lost against Cavicchi but who was stopped by Jim Cooper and Ulli Nitzschke. Amonti opened up at a cracking pace and succeeded in decking the visitor in the first round. The gong saved Magnetto from a possible knockout but a further barrage in round two dropped the Frenchman for a second count.

Magnetto made a gallant comeback in the third but his efforts were in vain. Magnetto was dropped for "9" in the fourth and was once again saved by the gong. But in the fifth, a hook to the chin sent him down for "9" and his corner slung in the towel.

▶ **Dortmund, Germany.**—Hans Kalbfell scored his best win to date when he knocked out Tommy "Hurricane" Jackson in eight rounds at the Westfallenhalle. But this was no longer the Hurricane who had fought Patterson and Archie Moore and the bout cannot be regarded as an acid test of Kalbfell's capabilities. Jackson provided little more than target-practice for the German heavy.

In the chief supporting bouts, Karl Mildenberger, 184, was in excellent condition, stopping Alain Cherville, 204, at the end of round three, Klaus Langhammer, 159, drew with Tommy Baars of Holland over eight rounds and Max Resch stopped Jan De Vos of Holland in the fourth round of a middles fray.

Harry Ball, 172, clearly won over Alex Buxton in eight rounds and Manfred Hass, 160, knocked out Gerrit Van Eyk in round two.

DUKE KEOMUKA

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Now, Keomuka is whaling away with judo chops across the throat, neck, shoulders, stomach and chest. The attack has Beyer wavering in the corner. Keomuka backs away innocently and bows to Beyer.

The Buffalo boy rallies and decks Keomuka with authoritative elbow-smashes. Keomuka is down in a corner . . . he is on his knees begging Beyer for mercy, and the crowd cheers as they see their favorite fight back on even terms with the Jap. Another elbow-smash sees Beyer deck Keomuka in a corner. Referee Sacco jumps in between the men to break up the attack. In the melee which follows Sacco is knocked from the ring and he lands outside on the concrete floor. Sacco is dazed and does not move. In the meantime, Beyer elbow-smashes Keomuka, then gives him a body slam and presses his shoulders for the three count. But Referee Sacco is not there to count.

Keomuka now grabs Beyer and bashes his head into a corner ring post, drawing the claret from a wound in the forehead. The blood is now running into Beyer's eyes, partially blinding him. Keomuka goes to his corner, picks up some salt and throws it into Beyer's wound. As Beyer attempts to rub the salt from his wound, Keomuka picks him up and body-slams him and then presses Beyer's shoulders for the three count. Sacco has revived by this time and holds Keomuka's hand aloft in victory, to bring down a chorus of boos from the crowd.

It is one of the greatest battles of the new season in Buffalo. However, the crowd objects because Referee Sacco is not on hand to count when Beyer presses Keomuka's shoulders. As this story is being written a rematch is under way between the two and that battle should be one for the books.

No matter how you look at it, Duke Keomuka is going to be a tough nut to crack for some of the Eastern grapplers.

RING NEWS FROM SUNNY AUSTRALIA

By Ray Mitchell

BIGGEST FIGHT HERE LAST MONTH WAS THE RETURN BETWEEN AMERICAN WELTERS RALPH DUPAS AND CHARLEY SCOTT. The first bout at Sydney between these two rated fighters ended in a close, but definite, win on points for Dupas. This one also ended in a points win for Dupas—but it wasn't close. It was one-sided.

It was Dupas all the way. What was wrong with Scott? Nothing. The difference was in Dupas—his speed and generalship.

The bout took place at Sydney Stadium.

Dupas' gym mate, middleweight FREDDIE LITTLE had his second Australian fight when he met Aussie BILLY STANLEY at Sydney Stadium. Freddie won by knock-out in the second round.

Little is the hardest puncher we've seen here in several years. He isn't in world ratings at time of writing, but he will be as soon as he meets a rated fighter—at least, that is my tip.

Freddie returned to the States a couple of days after beating Stanley, but he will be back.

▶ Australian lightweight champion GEORGE BRACKEN successfully defended his title when he halted JOHNNY BUTTERWORTH in eleven rounds at the Melbourne Festival Hall. Butterworth is well on the toboggan, a fact he realizes: as he announced his retirement the following day. Steve Nittes and Geary Cowburn both deserve shots at Bracken's title.

Light-heavyweight champion of the Northern Territory JOHNNY HUNTER accidentally shot himself dead a week before he was due to fight Wally Saul at Darwin.

At the Brisbane Festival Hall a very good featherweight fight took place between DICK WHITE and MAX MURPHY, with White gaining a hairline decision on points. Murphy is the NSW State champion, White is a former Australian bantam king. White hasn't been a bantam for over two years. He is our second best featherweight. A return between White and Murphy should draw well.

▶ A week later, at the same stadium, welter JOHNNY TAPP and lightweight GARY COWBURN turned on a war comparable with White-Murphy fight. There was little in it until Tapp's heavier punching told and the referee stopped it in the welter's favor in round 10.

▶ The following week (same place), Australian featherweight champion WALLY TAYLOR had the easiest win of his career when he stopped TANO SERNA, of Texas, in the second round. Serna suffered an eye injury, but he was outclassed.

▶ Same night, at the Melbourne Festival Hall, American lightweight AUBURN COPELAND met Italian counterpart ALDO PRAVISANI in a return fight which was the best seen in the southern city for some months. This one was a draw. (The first went to Copeland on points) and a third meeting between the two should draw well.

▶ SOLOMON BOYSAW, American lightweight, was too good for Aussie lightie STEVE NITTES at Melbourne. Boysaw won confortably on points.

▶ Former Australian lightweight champion MAX CARLOS made a return to the ring to oppose American welter CHARLEY DOUGLAS, and was ahead of Douglas when he sustained a cut eye and had to withdraw at the end of the 9th round. Carlos is a welter now and intends continuing his career. The fight took place at Melbourne.

▶ Sydney's Golden Boy, featherweight DAVID FLOYD, had a workout at the expense of Italian ALTIDORO POLIDORI at Sydney Stadium and David won easily.

▶ Polidori saddled up at Melbourne and surprisingly outpointed DAVE CRAIG. The Italian fought his best Australian fight, to win easily on points.

▶ A double bill was staged at Brisbane with Australian flyweight champion ALAN GIBBARDS outpointing JACKIE BRUCE by a very comfortable margin, in one 12-rounder, and CARL KELLY outpointing BRENDON TAPP over 12 rounds in a welters fight. Kelly won easily, but the fight was quiet.

▶ Brisbane presented another double bill. Junior welter ARTHUR BRADLEY had no trouble with lightweight MERV STEWART, halting him in four rounds. On the other half junior welters GRAHAM LIGHTFOOT and BOYD SCULLY turned on an eager fight, with Lightfoot winning a points decision.

▶ Sydney Stadium presented three ten-rounders as headliners on September 19. All six boys in these tens are young, rising fighters. Junior middles RON SMITH and JOHNNY GRADY earned the coin shower they received from ringsiders. They fought a grand fight, with Smith being a little too strong and emerging as a points winner.

Welters ROY RYAN and KEITH LEWIS fought a different fight but this one was interesting. Lewis is clever but doesn't do enough. Ryon won on points.

The other ten was a lightweight bout with the more experienced MICK POWER easily outpointing puncher LES DIXON.

Heavyweight STEVE ZORANICH had an easy night opposed to RALPH MOORE at Perth. Zoranich, much the heavier, stopped Moore in the sixth round.

That is all for this month. My address is: 23 Milburn Rd., Gymea, N.S.W., Australia.

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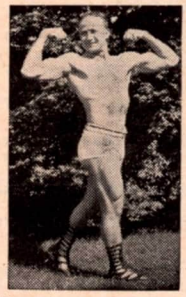

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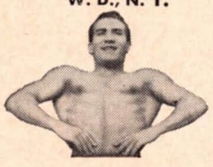

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